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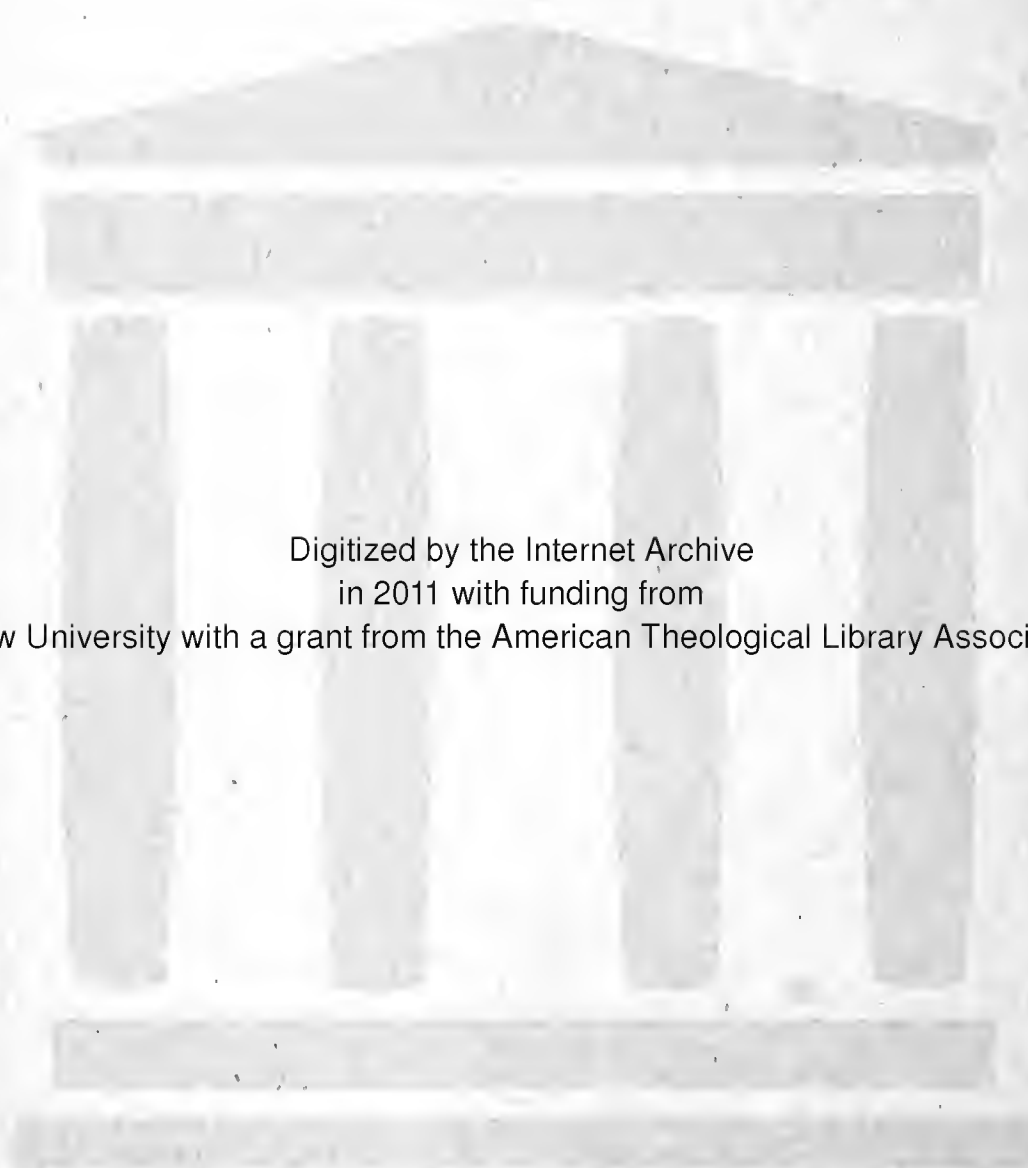
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### A. CHRISTIAN HOME LIFE

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### B. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS

J. Machiri, S. Chieza, M. Culver, E. Aeschliman, O. Fink, M. Wakatama, R. Goodloe, D. Sadza, K. Choto, M. Murphree, M. Deyo, K. Eriksson, C. Miller.

### C. CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

1960--L. Blomquist (Chm), H. Anfinsen, J. Machiri, S. Chitiyo.  
1961--J. Jijita, K. Eriksson, L. Chiweshe, B. Jambga.

### D. DEACONESS

E. deVries (Chm), Jocelyn Chitombo (Sec), P. Gurupira, Jonah Chitombo, Conference President and Secretary of R.R.W.

### E. EDUCATION

M. Wakatama (Chm), D. Sadza (Sec)

#### 1. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH WORK

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#### 3. EXECUTIVE

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The two sub-committee Chairmen of the Board of Education

Advisory Board Member  
 Principals of Mrewa, Mutambara, Nyadiri, and  
 Old Umtali  
 Head of Secondary School  
 Three School Superintendents elected by the  
 Superintendents themselves  
 Director of Religious Education of the Conference

#### F. EVANGELISM

M. Murphree (Chm), D. Chikosi (Sec), O. Stine, D. Mdzengerere, M. Chiza, L. Blomquist, E. Chimbwanda, E. Matongo, F. Chipaumire, E. Jangano, S. Mandizha, E. Munjoma, Z. Mukombiwa, M. Hunidzarira, J. Tsiga, J. Risinambudzi, I. Tsopotsa, F. Mataure, T. Katiyo, D. Chipaumire, E. Chidzikwe, A. Mutsago, A. Kajakai, W. Masangudza, E. Dikanifuwa, W. Mutenda, S. Muzulu, E. Kanonuhwa, M. Ball, J. Chidzikwe, S. Chieza, C. Miller, D. Mushapaidze, Jasper Machiri, T. Maranke, P. Dube, I. Mhlanga, H. Waeni, E. Mvududu, R. Gates, G. Rakabopa, T. Pedzeni, L. Chieza, L. Chikosi, M. Muzorewa, E. Nemaungwe, N. Nyagura, M. Habeza, A. Katsande, P. Zimunya, B. Murphree, J. Rugayo.

Executive: M. Murphree (Chm), J. Rugayo (Sec), E. Chimbwanda, D. Chipaumire, L. Chieza.

#### G. LAY ACTIVITIES

Jasper Machiri (Chm and Conf. Lay Leader), E. Chieza (Sec), Mesdames Munjoma, Sarah Munjoma, Konde, Sitole, Murapa, Chigubu, Mandisodza, Sadomba, Kambarami, Chieza, Stine, Griffin; Messrs. Gwinya, Chingono, Makunike, Matanyika, Chipaumire, Makunike, Machiri, Kasambira, Kumalinga, Mafuta, Tsiga, Mutize: Revs. Eriksson, Gates, Muparutsa, L. Chieza, Stine, Ball, Chitombo, Murphree, G. Otto, Machiri, Kasambira.

#### H. MEDICAL ACTIVITIES

M. Bayliss, B. Horton, P. Gurupira, I. Jansen, M. Johansson, J. Larson, J. Tsiga, R. Schevinus, E. Sweeney, A. Whitney, D. Mandiringa, O. Chipaumire, E. Maududu, Jocelyn Chitombo, J. Chidzikwe, D. Makuto, P. Nyanukapa, A. Katsande, J. Gonye, N. Chigubu, R. Lind, R. Hanson, E. Horton, E. Ashby, T. Kuture, D. Sadza.

#### I. THE MINISTRY

E. Aeschliman (Chm), O. Stine (Sec), S. Aldrich, L. Blomquist, L. Chieza, K. Choto, J. Chitombo, T. Maranke, M. Muparutsa, J. Nduna, K. Eriksson, R.C. Gates, R. Goodloe, M. Culver.

Executive: Chairman and Secretary, Principal O.U.B.I., L. Chieza.

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R. Goodloe (Chm), E. Matzigkeit (Sec), I. Scovil, M. Chiza, E. Ashby, B. Smalley, S. Munjoma, S. Tsopotsa, E. Kinyon, M. Fink, E. Griffin, J. Kurewa, R. Schevinus, G. Kapenzi, D. Mushapaidze, M. Culver.



## K. TEMPERANCE

S. Munjoma (Chm), J. Jijita, H. Griffin, M. Taylor, S. Kasambira, M. Muparutsa, N. Dikanifuwa, S. Zuze, A. Katsande, O. Anfinzen, I. Tsopotsa, E. Mvududu, D. Chinogureyi, T. Chiweshe, B. Katsidzira, Z. Mukombiwa, S. Nyakatswa, H. Mafunga, S. Kativu, E. Matanga, A. Kajese, A. Madzimamoto, R. Chieza, J. Makande, L. Kasambira, A. Kutseza, L. Chimbwanda, M. Hunidzarira, M. Masangudza, E. Muringapi, E. deVries, P. Zimunya, J. Kurewa.

## L. TRUSTEES

1960--Treas. of Division of World Missions, J.S. Wreford, J. Chitombo. Reserve--O. Stine.  
1961--Conf. Sec., Jasper Machiri, H. Griffin. Reserve--K. Choto.

## M. WORSHIP AND MUSIC

G. Kapenzi (Chm), J. Machiri (Sec), Jonah Machiri, M. Chiza, A. Kajese, E. Munjoma, J. Nemaungwe, A. Matongo, G. Otto, M. Blomquist, V. Culver, O. Eriksson, B. Murphree, E. Russell, I. Scovil, S. Makawa, L. Mandizha, M. Mataranyika, P. Machiri, P. Maviza, A. Machakaire, W. Mutenda, G. Rakabopa, W. Makunike, D. Mushapaidze, E. Chieza, M. Gates, S. Smalley, J. Zhakata, H. Mutize, M. Smock, F. Fleshman, I. Mutsago, D. Matanga.

Executive: G. Kapenzi (Chm), J. Machiri (Sec), E. Chieza, M. Gates.

## N. AGRICULTURE

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## O. AUDIO-VISUAL

E. deVries, M. Goodloe, E. Kinyon, K. Eriksson, D. Kasambira, M. Wakatama.

## P. AUDIT

H. Anfinzen (Chm), S. Kowo (Sec), E. Jangano, J. Kawadza, W. Mandisodza, E. Kinyon, E. Roberts, F. Hackler, E. Matzigkeit, S. Mandizha, L. Kasambira, E. Chidzikwe, N. Ndidzano.

## Q. DUMBA REZVE KUFAMBISA WASANDIRI

J. Machiri (Chm), W. Kinyon, E. Chieza, J. Kawadza. Reserves: K. Eriksson, S. Kowo.

## R. FINANCE

R.C. Gates (Chm), E. Roberts (Sec), H. Anfinzen, J. Chitombo, H. Griffin, E. Jangano, S. Kowo, I. Scovil, N. Madzinga, J. Maramba, J. Nyamurowa, Z. Chikuni, F. Mataure, E. Kuwana, E. Matongo, M. Deyo, G. Shaba, L. Blomquist, W. Kinyon, M. Stine, J. Wreford, T. Muringapi, A. Kapanga, J. Schevinius, J. Rugayo, C. Miller, A. Katsande.

## S. INTERDENOMINATIONAL RELATIONS

S. Chieza, M. Culver, T. Maranke, M. Murphree, T. Roberts, A. Kajese, M. Taylor, R. Gwinya, A. Mutsago, A. Katsanda, V. Otto, S. Zuze, W. Kinyon, K. Choto.

## T. MATTERS OF DISCIPLINE

O. Stine (Chm), M. Muparutsa, P. Machiri, S. Kowo.  
Reserves: T. Maranke, J. Nduna.

## U. MEMOIRS

L. Chieza (Chm), H. Katsidzira, P. Machiri, J. Tsiga, G.A. Roberts, P. Kabundwa, J. Chingono, O. Mutezo, A. Madzimbamuto.

## V. NOMINATIONS

M. Deyo, E. Chieza, S. Makawa, T. Maranke, K. Choto, J. Kawadza, J. Pfaff, G. Otto, M. Stine, W. Kinyon, B. Murphree.

## W. PROGRAMME

Conf. Sec.(Chm), Supt., Pastor, and Chairman of the station where Conference is being held.

## X. RESOLUTIONS

D. Makuto, P. Nyamukapa, E. Russell, E. Miller, E. deVries, P. Chieza, J. Gonye, J. Munjoma, E. Mufute, T. Chiweshe, L. Mandizha, R. Matzigkeit, E. Griffin.

## Y. STUDENT LOAN

E. Chieza (Chm), G. Kapenzi (Sec), S. Munjoma, I. Jansen, S. Gwitira, F. Hackler, E. Parks, L. Pfaff, S. Aldrich, Jasper Machiri, Z. Kativu, P. Gurupira, M. Goodloe, J. Pfaff, M. Mataranyika, S. Makawa, M. Habesa, S. Mandizha, B. Mutambara, V. Otto, K. Choto, E. Chitiyo, J. Makawa.

Executive: E. Chieza, G. Kapenzi, L. Pfaff, V. Otto, F. Hackler.

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## COMMITTEE TO STUDY FULL REGISTERED NURSES' TRAINING

H. Griffin (Chm), B. Horton, E. Ashby, M. Bayliss, E. Sadza, M. Johannson.

## COUNCILS AND SOCIETIES

## A. COORDINATING COUNCIL OF UMTALI

Pastors of St. Andrews and Hilltop, Director of the Social Centre, Mr. Wreford, Directress of Girls' Hostel, District Superintendent.

## B. METHODIST COUNCIL (WITH SYNOD)

K. Eriksson, M. Culver, J. Chitombo, J. Machiri, M. Deyo. Alternates: D. Sadza, R. Goodloe, V. Otto.

## C. SOUTHERN RHODESIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

K. Eriksson, H. Griffin, B. Horton, M. Murphree, M. Wakatama, W. Kinyon, V. Culver, S. Kowo, K. Choto, I. Mhlanga.

## D. THEOLOGICAL TRAINING COUNCIL (WITH SYNOD)

1960--M. Deyo, O. Stine, E. Chieza.  
1961--V. Otto, S. Kowo.  
1962--S. Chieza, K. Eriksson

Alternates for the year: E. Meschlman, J. Wroford, S. Aldrich, N. Madzinga.

## E. AFRICAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION

NORTHERN: J. Chitombo (Chm), J. Makuto (Vice-Chm), D. Mushapaidzi (Sec), J. Muskwe (Vice-Sec), W. Mandisodza (Treas), H. Griffin (Advisor)

SOUTHERN: S. Munjoma (Chm), S. Kasambira (Vice-Chm), E. Matongo (Sec), E. Chieza (Vice-Sec), M. Muparutsa (Treas), V. Otto (Advisor).

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## G. METHODIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

M. Deyo, G.A. Roberts, M. Goodloe, L. Blomquist, E. Chieza, S. Chieza.

## H. RUKWADZANO RWE MADZIMAI

SOUTHERN: Mesdames E. Munjoma (Chm), S. Kasambira (Vice-Chm), L. Zimonte (Sec), S. Munjoma (Vice-Sec), D. Chikosi (Recording Sec), P. Machiri (Treas), and Finance Committee of D. Chikosi, J. Chidzikwe, S. Munjoma, L. Zimonte, and M. Kaisi.

NORTHERN: Mesdames W. Mandisodza (Chm), A. Kajese (Vice-Chm), J. Chitombo (Sec), K. Choto (Vice-Sec).

## I. WABVUWI

NORTHERN: D.C. Kumalinga (Chm), J.C. Kazingizi (Vice-Chm), W. Chieza (Sec), P. Kajese (Vice-Sec), P. Mzengeze (Treas), Moyoswi (Committee Member), J. Chitombo (Advisor).

SOUTHERN: F. Chipaumire (Chm), S. Nyamana (Vice-Chm), R. Chitakatira (Sec), C. Zisengwe (Vice-Sec), M. Chirimani (Treas), J. Machiri (Advisor),

with Messrs. Mandisekwe, Chigudu, and Mudiwa as Committee Members.

#### J. AFRICAN GIRLS' HOSTEL COMMITTEE

District Superintendent, Pastors of St. Andrews and Hilltop Churches, Directress of the Hostel, Matron of the Hostel, Directress of Fairfield Girls' work, Directress of Mutambara Girls' work (with power to co-opt).

#### FOR RECORD

##### A. THE FIELD COMMITTEE

MEMBERS: K. Eriksson M. Deyo K. Choto  
M. Culver J. Pfaff Mrs. J. Chitombo  
T. Roberts V. Otto J. Kawadza  
H. Griffin E. Parks A. Dangarembga  
E.L. Sells A. Whitney S. Kowo

N. Ngonyama  
Mrs. Chitombo  
Mrs. Nyamukana  
R. Nyika

ALTERNATES: B. Smalley F. Hackler E. Chieza  
R.C. Gates M. Johannson J. Makuto  
O. Stine G. Otto L. Chieza  
M. Piburn I. Scovil E. Sisimai  
B. Higgs M. Ball

OFFICERS: K. Eriksson (Chm), V. Otto (Sec).  
OFFICERS OF MISSIONARY COMMITTEE: H. Griffin (Chm),  
J. Pfaff, (Sec)

B. JOINT FIELD TREASURER: M. Deyo

C. MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENTS: V. Otto, E. Chieza.

D. BISHOP'S REPRESENTATIVE: K. Eriksson.

##### E. COMMITTEES OF THE FIELD COMMITTEE

AUDITING: H. Griffin (Chm), R.C. Gates (Sec), E. Chieza,  
E. Roberts, C. Miller, I. Scovil, M. Gates,  
F. Hackler, J. Kawadza, M. Deyo.

BUDGET: K. Eriksson (Chm), V. Otto, M. Deyo, J. Kawadza,  
H. Griffin, S. Kowo, M. Culver.

BUILDING: E.L. Sells, J. Pfaff, B. Higgs, J. Chitombo,  
A. Whitney, T. Roberts, J. Schevinius.

PROMOTIONAL: E.L. Sells, O. Stine, E. Chieza, K. Choto.

PROPERTY: R.C. Gates (Chm), Field Treasurer, T. Roberts,  
H. Griffin, E.L. Sells, A. Whitney.

SCHOLARSHIP: O. Stine (Chm), R. Nyika (Sec), E. Parks  
(Overseas Sec), E. Chieza, A. Dangarembga, I.  
Mhlenga, M. Deyo, K. Choto.

## CONFERENCE ROLL

## A. MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE

(Year indicates Conference Membership. "p" indicates present)

## 1. RETIRED MINISTERS:

1927 p Chieza, Philip, P.O. Box 136, Rusape.  
 1907 James, Henry I., "Jalna", Winton Road,  
 Cheltenham, England.  
 1924 Katsidzira, Benjamin, P.O. Box 432,  
 Umtali.  
 1921 Mandisodza, David, P.O. Watsomba.  
 1917 Murphree, Marshall J., Box 108, Oneonta,  
 Alabama.  
 1926 Mukombiwa, Zachariah, P.O. Mrewa.  
 1925 Ngonyama, Reginald, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1910 O'Farrell, T.A., 417 Kitchel Ave., Pana,  
 Illinois.  
 1921 Roberts, G.A., P.O. Mutambara.

## 2. EFFECTIVE MINISTERS:

1916 p Aeschliman, Edward J., P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1953 p Aldrich, Sylvia, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1959 Alvord, Alexander, P.O. Box 136, Rusape.  
 1948 p Anfinson, Hans F., P.O. Box 62, Mrewa.  
 1953 p Ball, Marcia M., P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1940 p Blomquist, Lennart G., P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1948 p Chidzikwe, Josiah, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1934 p Chieza, Luke, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba.  
 1927 p Chieza, Samuel, 23 Beatrice Cottages,  
 P.O. Harare.  
 1942 p Chigubu, Nason, P.O. Mutuhwa, Mtoko.  
 1953 p Chikosi, Davison, P.O. Mutambara.  
 1926 Chimbadzwa, Josiah, On Leave.  
 1955 p Chimbanga, Elijah, P.O. Mtoko.  
 1956 p Chinogurei, David, Chikore, P.O. Headlands.  
 1933 p Chitombo, Jonah, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa.  
 1952 p Chiza, Martin, Epworth Theological College,  
 P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury.  
 1948 p Choto, Kenneth, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1943 p Culver, Maurice E., P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1954 p Dikanifuwa, Nason, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva.  
 1943 p Eriksson, Kare E., 3 Dawson St., Umtali.  
 1955 p Fink, Omar R., P.O. Box 55, Umtali.  
 1923 p Gates, Robert C., P.O. Box 444, Umtali.  
 1956 p Goodloe, Robert W., Epworth Theological  
 College, P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salis-  
 bury.  
 1948 p Griffin, Hunter D., P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1952 p Gurupira, Philomon, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1948 Harper, Kenneth, 366 Transylvania Park,  
 Lexington, Kentucky.  
 1937 p Hassing, Per, On Leave.  
 1948 p Jangano, Eliah, P.O. Box 86, Inyazura.  
 1953 Jijita, John B., P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1942 p Kajese, Amon C., P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1932 p Kasambira, Silas P., P.B. C 314, Umtali.  
 1955 p Katsande, Alfred, P.B. J 169, Umtali.  
 1930 p Katsidzira, Hosea, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa.  
 1953 p Kawadza, Jonah, P.O. Mtoko.  
 1953 p Kuwana, Elisha, P.O. Mtoko.  
 1953 p Kowo, Simon, P.O. Mtoko.  
 1948 p Makuto, Daniel, P.B. 645 E, Salisbury.

1942 p Mandisodza, Wilson, P.B. 21, Mrewa.  
 1930 p Maramba, Johnson, P.O. Box C 377, Umtali.  
 1924 p Maranke, Titus, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1955 p Matongo, Ezekiel, P.B.P. 59, Umtali.  
 1951 Miller, Charles M., 3 Dawson St., Umtali.  
 1930 p Munjoma, Enoch, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa.  
 1942 p Munjoma, Samuel, P.O. Box 3, Odzi.  
 1928 p Muparutsa, Moses, P.O. Box 3002, Sakubva.  
 1954 p Murphree, Marshall W., P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1953 p Muzorewa, Abel, On Study Leave.  
 1957 p Muzulu, Samuel, Nyakatsapa, P.O. Watsomba.  
 1928 p Nduna, John, P.B. 319 C, Umtali.  
 1953 p Nemaungwe, John R., P.O. Box 9, Inyazura.  
 1948 p Nyamukapa, Patron, P.O. Mutambara.  
 1953 p Otto, Grace, P.O. Mutambara.  
 1953 p Otto, Vivian, P.O. Mutambara.  
 1930 p Rugayo, Jackson, P.B. 317 C, Umtali.  
 1921 Sells, Ernest L., On Furlough.  
 1943 p Stine, Ovid, P.O. Mtoko.  
 1954 p Zuze, Solomon, P.B. M 214, Umtali.

#### B. PROBATIONERS

1959 p Chiwota, Nathaniel, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1957 p Manjengwa, Obadiah, Mt. Makomwe, P.O. Odzi.  
 1959 p Mdzengerere, David, P.O. Headlands.

#### C. OTHER MISSIONARIES OF DIVISION OF WORLD MISSIONS

##### 1. RETIRED

1907 Gates, Mrs. H.L., Pickering, Ontario, Canada.  
 1912 James, Mrs. H.I., "Jalna", Winton Road, Cheltenham, England.  
 1920 Murphree, Mrs. M.J., P.O. Box 108, Oneonta, Alabama.  
 1910 O'Farrell, Mrs. T.A., 417 Kitchel Ave., Pana, Illinois.  
 1952 Sherertz, D. Lamar, 13005 Matey Road, Wheaton, Maryland.  
 1952 Sherertz, Mrs. D.L., 13005 Matey Road, Wheaton, Maryland.

##### 2. EFFECTIVE (Year indicates arrival in Rhodesia)

1952 p Aeschliman, Merle, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1959 Alvord, Mrs. A., P.O. Box 136, Rusape.  
 1951 p Anfinson, Odney, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa.  
 1957 Averitt, Ben H., P.O. Mtoko.  
 1947 p Blomquist, Maj-stina, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1944 p Culver, Verna, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1949 p Eriksson, Osta, 3 Dawson St., Umtali.  
 1958 p Fink, Marianne, P.O. Box 55, Umtali.  
 1958 p Fleshman, Flora, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1958 p Fleshman, George, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1922 p Gates, Mildred, P.O. Box 444, Umtali.  
 1958 p Gell, Robert, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1956 Goodloe, Mary, Epworth Theological College, P.O. Park Meadowlands, Salisbury.  
 1951 p Griffin, Ellabeth, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1926 p Hanson, Ruth, P.O. Mutambara.  
 1949 Harper, Mary Jane, 366 Transylvania Park, Lexington, Kentucky.

1941 p Hassing, Ruth, African Girls' Hostel,  
 Umtali.  
 1949 Higgs, B.A. On Furlough. 102 Crehange  
 St., Syracuse, N.Y.  
 1949 Higgs, Mary Phil, On Furlough. 102  
 Crehange St., Syracuse, N.Y.  
 1958 p Horton, Bennet, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1958 p Horton, Evelyn, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1950 p Jansen, Ingar, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1950 p Jansen, Ivar, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1950 p Kinyon, Eunice, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1950 p Kinyon, Wallace, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1948 p Leiknes, Astrid, P.O. Mutambara.  
 1956 p Matzigkeit, Everett, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1956 p Matzigkeit, Ruth, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1953 Miller, Ellen, 3 Dawson St., Umtali.  
 1955 p Murphree, Betty Jo, P.B. 636 E, Salis-  
 bury.  
 1953 Piburn, Carol, 3844 41st St., Des Moines,  
 Iowa.  
 1953 Piburn, Marvin, 3844 41st St.,  
 Des Moines, Iowa.  
 1946 Roberts, Emily, On Furlough.  
 1946 Roberts, Tudor, On Furlough.  
 1929 p Sells, Olga, On Furlough.  
 1957 p Schevinus, John, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1957 p Schevinus, Ruth, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1958 p Shires, Dale, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1953 p Shires, Helen, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1952 p Smalley, Bruce, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1952 p Smalley, Sallie, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1950 p Stine, Mava, P.O. Mtoko.

#### D. WOMEN'S DIVISION OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

##### 1. RETIRED

1912 Clark, Grace, 275 Robincroft Drive,  
 Pasadena, California.  
 1915 Hess, Stella, 29 Spears Ave., Asheville,  
 North Carolina.  
 1952 Nutting, Clara, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1920 Parmenter, Ona, 275 Robincroft Drive,  
 Pasadena, California.  
 1917 Quinton, Frances, 1015 E. Main Street,  
 Crawfordville, Indiana.  
 1922 Reitz, Beulah, 1910 Steele Road,  
 Kansas City, Kansas.  
 1918 Roberts, Lulu Tubbs, P.O. Mutambara.

##### 2. EFFECTIVE

1945 p Ashby, Elma, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1957 p Bayliss, Marion, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1939 p Deyo, Marguerite, African Girls' Hostel,  
 Umtali.  
 1944 p deVries, Evelyn, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1958 p Feather, Beryl, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1947 Hackler, Frances, On Furlough.  
 1947 p Hervold, Signhild, On Furlough.  
 1956 Hickok, Dorothy, On Furlough.  
 1947 p Johannson, Margit, On Furlough.  
 1950 p Jones, Pearl Willis, P.B. 636 E, Salis-  
 bury.  
 1923 p King, Sarah, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1954 Larsen, Jenny, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.

1955 p Lind, Ruth, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1938 Parks, Edith, On Furlough.  
 1958 p Petersen, Arlene, P.O. Mutambara.  
 1929 p Pfaff, Jessie, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1938 Pfaff, Lois, P.B. 636 E, Salisbury.  
 1957 p Roed, Elsie, P.O. Mutambara.  
 1952 p Russell, Esther, African Girls' Hostel,  
 Umtali.  
 1925 p Scovil, Ila, P.O. Watsomba.  
 1958 p Smock, Marjorie, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 1951 Sweeney, Ellen, P.O. Mutambara.  
 1947 Taylor, Mildred, On Furlough.  
 1937 Whitney, Alice, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.

#### E. DEACONESS

1958 p Mhlanga, Ivy, P.O. Box 62, Mrewa.

#### F. SPECIAL WORKERS

Gazeley, Wilhemina, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 Lumb, Sybil, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 Mosenthal, Mrs., P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 Porteus, Anna, P.B.P. 24, Umtali.  
 Smith, R., P.B.P. 24, Umtali.

#### G. LAY DELEGATES

Honde District:	S. Kanyenze
Makoni District:	p T. Muringapi, p Paul . Mudzingwa, p M. Mataranyika, p M. Mukukzaza, p. S. Matara- nyika.
Maranke District:	p E. Chidzikwe, p D. Matanga, p. G. Mutsago.
Mrewa District:	p J. Zhakata, p B. Chikoore, p G. Shaba, p C. Nesusu.
Mtasa District:	p G. Kapenzi, p. J. Gonye, p.G. Manditsera.
Mtoko District:	p A.N. Kapanga, L. Chokumanyara, p H. Mutize, p Z. Magunde.
Mutambara Dist:	p B. Mutambara, p K.E. Munjoma, p S. Gwitira, p. R.F. Mataure.
Nyadiri District:	p J. Makawa, p D. Sadza, p W. Masangudza, Z. Katiyo, p E. Gave.
Umtali-Zimunya District:	p J.S. Wreford, p J. Nyamurowa, p P. Zimunya, p I. Murapa, p. M. Kaisi.
Salisbury Dist:	L. Muhamba.

#### H. APPROVED SUPPLY PASTORS

p J. Chingono	P. Machakaire	p N. Muskwe
p D. Chipaumiro	P. Mabvisa	p G. Rakabopa
J. Dangirwa	p J. Makande	J. Risinamudzi



p P. Dube	p W. Makunike	p R. Gwinya
p J. Makuto	p P. Kajese	p W. Masangudza
P. Kanonuhwa	p J. Masenda	S. Kanyenze
K. Mhandu	T. Katiyo	p E. Mutanga
D. Katsidzira		

### III. DAILY PROCEEDINGS: MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE RHODESIA CONFERENCE

#### A. FIRST DAY, SUNDAY, MAY 3, 1959

Morning prayers were led by Rev. J. Chitombo, using the theme of prayer.

Rukwadzano worship service was led by Mrs. Mattie Muparutsa using the Scripture from Acts 12 where Peter was led from prison by an angel of the Lord. The Rukwadzano choir sang a special number.

Morning worship service began with the official opening of the O'Farrell Methodist Church. The service was led by Rev. Chitombo, the District Superintendent. The printed form was followed, using Hymn 241, "Mwari Baba, Mune Nyasha Huru". Miss Ball played a Prelude, and Hymn 2, "Tenzi Ari Muno", was sung, followed by a prayer by Rev. Chitombo. Hymn 89, "Uyai, Mweya Waka-chena", was sung. Rev. Chitombo led in prayer, followed by a special number by the Ambassadors Quartet. The Responsive Reading was Psalm 23. Bishop Booth read the Scripture lesson from St. John 1:1-18. Rev. H. Griffin gave a welcome from Nyadiri to everyone present. The offering was taken and Hymn 154, "Runyararo Rukuru", was sung. Bishop Booth gave the message using the theme "He has made Him known." Hymn 199, "Ndinomuziva", was sung, followed by Tendanyi Baba" and the Benediction.

Ngariende service, 2:30 p.m., was conducted by Rev. J. Kawudza, who showed pictures of buildings and people at Chikwizo. Mrs. W. Mandisodza gave an inspiring message, and an offering was taken for the work there.

Conference Communion service was held at 7:30 p.m. The printed service was followed beginning with Hymn 1, "M'Psene, M'Psene, M'Psene". Bishop Dodge gave a meditation from Matthew 22. Miss Russell sang "Bread of the World" and the choir sang "Pa Muchinjiko pa Kalvari".

#### B. SECOND DAY, MONDAY, MAY 4, 1959

Morning devotions began at 8:30 a.m. with the singing of Hymn 243, "Hama Dzangu dze Vatendi", followed by prayer by Bishop Booth and "Ukama hwe Ukristu" by the Ambassadors Quartet. Bishop Booth's message was "The Standard of Living."

Conference roll was called by Miss deVries and K. Choto. A motion by N. Dikanifuwa that the names of African ministers' wives be called and printed with the Minutes was referred to the Board of Lay Activities.

Missionaries going on furlough--Rev. and Mrs. Blomquist, Mrs. Sells, M. Johansson, and S. Hervold--were called forward and wished God-speed by Bishop and Conference.

Conference programme was adopted as printed, with such changes as will be necessary on motion of H. Griffin.

Bar of Conference was established as the first seven pews in the central part of the church.

Corrections in the Journal of 1958: on page 242 Elisha Kuwana should take the place of Elijah Chimbanga. On page 227 M.J. Murphree should not be marked present. In the 1955 Journal, Bishop Hagen should be listed as the presiding Bishop.

Paragraph 351 in the African Discipline was called to the attention of the Conference and the Secretary was instructed to see that this is carried out.

New missionaries were presented to the Conference: Mr. and Mrs. George Fleshman, Marjorie Smock, and Beryl Feather.

Report of nominating Committee was read by M. Stine. O. Fink was suggested as Secretary of the Conference. R. Goodloe was nominated from the floor and elected. The assistants were voted with the change of E. Chieza for distribution of reports.

Part II Clarification in the Journal of 1958, p. 222 under Memoirs, L. Chieza should appear as chairman.

Part III Privilege of the floor was given to M. Culver and the Conference Secretary.

Part IV was accepted with K. Eriksson, M. Culver, J. Chitombo, J. Machiri, and M. Deyo as members of the Methodist Council. D. Sadza, R. Goodloe, and V. Otto alternates.

Part VI Approval of daily Journal: committee composed of J. Wreford, G. Otto, S. Kowo and Conference Secretary.

Part VII Additions to committees:

B. Feather--Religious Education and Youth Work  
M. Smock--Music and Worship  
F. Fleshman--Music and Worship  
V. Culver--Christian Home Life  
A. Leiknes--Christian Home Life  
T. Mbwezhu--Schools

Tellers: Nomination committee to propose four names.

News items for newspapers: A. Dangarembga, B. Ruwodo, and J. Makawa were suggested from the floor. The Nominations committee was instructed to suggest two names and the reports are to be cleared through the secretaries of the Conference.

Christian Social Action Committee was proposed by M. Culver. It was voted to leave it in the hands of the Home Life and Christian Social Relations Committee.

Announcements were made.

Interpreters: Nominations committee is to present names to the Conference.

Adjournment of session with prayer.

Noon devotions were led by Dr. Spivey using the theme "We must look back to the heritage from which we have come". John Wesley emphasized three main doctrines: repentance, faith, and holiness (perfect love). These were referred to as the porch, the door, and religion itself. The meeting closed with prayer at 12:30 p.m.

### C. THIRD DAY, TUESDAY, MAY 5, 1959

Morning devotions were led by Bishop Booth, using as his theme in the series "A Measure for Living--Life with Ourselves--I consecrate myself".

Presentation to the Conference of Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Spivey, and Miss Charlotte Taylor opened the Conference session.

Greetings were received from L. Pfaff, M. Taylor, E. Mutasa, Mrs. J. Chitombo, Rev. and Mrs. H.I. James, A. Muzorewa, A. Mansuro, K. Harper, C. Miller, R. Bartholomew, and Rev. and Mrs. D. L. Sherertz. Greetings were also conveyed by Bishop Booth from the people of the Congo Conferences, and by a gathering of 8000 who attended the Easter service, their greeting being "Christ is Risen." It was voted to send greetings to the two Conferences in the Congo, and Dr. Spivey was asked to convey our greetings to the Conference in Britain which he will attend. The Secretary was instructed to send greetings to those whose greetings have been received, and also to Mrs. Even S. Johnson, Bishop Hagen, and Rev. and Mrs. T.A. O'Farrell telling them that Conference is being held in the new church. Bishop Booth agreed to take our personal greetings to Bishop Springer.

Excuses for absence were received from R. Ngonyama, J. Jijita, C. Mandisodza, B. Katsidzira, Z. Mukombiwa, E. Sells, J. Chimbadzwa, and N. Tsododo.

Medical Committee members suggested by the Nominations committee are R. Lind, R. Hanson, E. Horton, and E. Ashby.

Tellers: The following names were submitted by the Nominations committee and approved by the Conference--G. Fleshman, B. Smalley, I. Mhlanga, and Mattie Muparutsa.

Interpreters: Conference approved the nominations made by the Nominations committee of J. Chidzikwe and J. Kawadza.

Corrections on page 319 of the 1958 Journal: Bishop Johnson conducted the 1935 Conference and Bishop Springer the 1944 one.

Composite Report of the District Superintendents was read by R.C. Gates. The Sunday School lessons were referred to the Religious Education Committee. The church dedicated at Kowo is the Bourgaize Memorial Church. S. Tsopotsa is acting headmaster of the secondary school at Old Umtali. The book van travelled 2,400 miles in three months. The Board of Lay Activities is to discuss the question of getting Lay Preachers to accept the responsibility of the preaching plan, and will also take up the question of Mai Chaza. The Board of Temperance will discuss the question of our members growing tobacco. The phrase "to seek and save the lost" is to be inserted in the last paragraph.

Recess was called at 10:00 a.m. and Conference re-convened at 10:30 with the singing of Hymn 148, "Hakuna Zita Kunga Jesu".

Delegate qualifications for General Conference were considered. One ministerial and one lay delegate are to be elected. The dele-

gates going to General Conference are also to go to Central Conference. The question of a member on trial in the Conference being considered as a travelling preacher was brought up. Bishop Dodge suggested that Mr. Eriksson present this in writing for a ruling by the Judicial Council.

A list of ministerial and lay delegates was submitted by the Nominations committee for General Conference. It was voted to accept these names, but that the first ballot be for submitting other names if desired. Those already in America were mentioned with the idea that they could be elected as delegates, but the question of whether they would be back in time to attend Central Conference was raised. This was left to the discretion of those voting.

The nomination ballot for the ministerial and lay delegates to General Conference was taken.

Rev. and Mrs. Grant from the All-Africa Church Conference were presented and spoke about the Conference and its need for a full-time African secretary. They hope to have a secretary elected at a meeting in Salisbury in September. K. Choto who also attended the Conference spoke, as did Bishop Booth. The Committee on Interdenominational Relations will consider our part or reaction to this Conference. Mr. Booth of the British and Foreign Bible Society spoke about some new translations and asked the Conference if they desired to have more of the Chimanyika New Testaments printed. This was referred to the Publications committee.

Announcements were made.

Board of Education Chairman: K. Eriksson presented his resignation. The Nominations committee presented the name of H. Griffin. I. Jansen was nominated from the floor. H. Griffin was elected.

Social Action Committee: The Home Life and Christian Social Relations Committee now feel they would like a special Social Action Committee. Names will be submitted by the Nominations committee.

Daily Journal: J. Wreford reported for the committee and asked for corrections. Those mentioned were noted by the secretary. It was suggested that a wide margin be left when typing so that these minutes could be bound for the Journal if this was found advisable. The Minutes were adopted as corrected.

Adjournment was called at 12:00 noon.

Devotions were led by Dr. Spivey, using "The Importance of our Worship" as his theme. Our worship should be God-centred, readings from Old and New Testaments should be used, and it should be both corporate and evangelical.

D. FOURTH DAY, WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 1959

Devotions were led by Bishop Booth, using as his theme "The Holy Spirit". St. John 14:18-26 was used.

First ballot for General Conference delegates was taken, using both the names submitted by the Nominations committee and those submitted in the nominations ballot.

Chief Nyajina gave greetings to the Conference and expressed his appreciation for all that the Mission was doing.

Combined Rukwadzano report was read by L. Zimonte. Bishop Dodge expressed his appreciation for the good report and especially for the large contribution to Chikwizo. It was moved to refer items 2,

4, and 5 from the changes in the Constitution to the Executive of the Rukwadzano for their consideration. It was suggested that the phrase "in taking Communion" be added to item 4. The report was accepted except for the parts referred to the Executive.

First ballot result was read and recorded on the blackboard.

Second ballot was taken.

Recess was at 10 a.m., re-convening at 10:30.

Second ballot result was read and recorded.

Third ballot was taken.

Wabvuwi report, southern section, was read and accepted. When asked whether they contributed to Chikwizo, they said they intend to do so. The northern section report was read. Their list of new officers is to be turned in. The report was accepted. M. Culver offered the services of the O.U.B.I. to train Wabvuwi leaders.

Third ballot result was read and recorded.

Fourth ballot was taken.

Ngariende report: It was asked if the work at Chikwizo is known throughout the Conference. Are there preaching points? Yes. The treasurer's report will be turned in after the audit. The Conference has been urged to take offerings to support the work. The number of children in the school is recorded in the Conference statistics. The report was accepted subject to receiving the Treasurer's report.

Fourth ballot result was read and recorded.

Fifth ballot was taken.

Statistical report was read, comparing present figures with those of the previous year. The Statistician felt it was not a favourable or reliable report and would have to be amended when corrections had been called for and made. Some instructions were given to ensure more complete information. He asked to be released and his resignation was accepted. C. Miller, who was Statistician until his furlough, was voted to be continued in office after his furlough. It was stated that instructions had been given at Pastors' School and these should also be given to the District Superintendents.

Fifth ballot result: J. Kawadza was elected as ministerial delegate to General Conference. Ballot results were read and recorded for the laymen.

Sixth ballot for the laymen was taken.

Thanks for food gifts was given by Mr. Griffin to Nyadiri Church members and for their hard work to make the Conference possible. Two members of the Rukwadzano, the Lay Leader of the church, and the leader of Wabvuwi represented the Nyadiri congregation before the Conference.

Visitors: The delegates from Synod--F.B. Rea, Miss Randall, and G. Mnyama--were presented to the Conference.

Conference session was extended 20 minutes.

Announcements were made. A question about a salary scale for lay workers was referred to the Finance Committee.

Adjournment: 12:05 p.m.

Devotions were led by Dr. Spivey, using "Our Hymns" as the theme.

Evening session began at 7:30 p.m., Bishop Booth presiding.

Sixth ballot result: J. Machiri elected as lay delegate to General Conference.

Offering for the poor, taken during the Communion service, amounted to £ 14-18-6. The Finance Committee is to decide how it shall be distributed.

African Christian Convention: Reports from both sections were read and then discussed together. Items 2, 6, 11, and 12 of the northern report are referred to the Rukwadzano, and item 6 is referred in part to the ministers. A special committee is to be set up to which questions needing interpretation in matters of discipline may be referred. Bishop Dodge appointed K. Eriksson (Chm), M. Culver, K. Choto, M. Wakatama, and G. Otto. Item 7 is to be referred to them. Item 1 of the northern report was passed. (N) 3 and (S) 1 are noted and should be continued by the Conference. (N) 4 and (S) 3 are referred to the Publications Committee. (N) 5 and 8 are referred to the Director of Religious Education. (N) 9 and (S) 8 and 10 are referred to the Board of Education. (S) 6 is referred to Bishop and Cabinet. (S) 2 was approved. The other items were received and noted. The northern section was asked to replace Miss King as Advisor, who is leaving for retirement. The question of the different organizations helping with the salaries of ministers was referred to the Finance Committee. The Treasurer of the Northern section reported £77-3-0½ in the treasury. The southern section's report was received.

Recommendation to secretaries: Secretaries of the various committees should carefully review each English version to make sure that the intended meaning is clearly stated.

Report on Daily Journal: The correction of the ballot to Nomination one was noted. The minutes were accepted.

Christian Social Relations Committee: J. Machiri, S. Chieza, M. Culver, E. Aeschliman, O. Fink, M. Wakatama, R. Goodloe, D. Sadza, K. Choto, M. Murphree, M. Deyo, K. Eriksson, C. Miller.

Rusape African church: The congregation would like to build a church and request financial assistance. This was referred to the Finance Committee.

Alternates to General Conference: The first one elected to Central Conference will be the Reserve for General Conference. The Nominations Committee is also to present names.

Discussion concerning Central Conference delegates: The points from the Discipline were read for requirements of delegates. If possible, a continuity within the delegation should be maintained. It was decided that there should be 3 Missionary Lay delegates; 4 African Lay delegates; 4 Missionary and 3 African Ministerial delegates. The question as to whether lay missionary delegates must be full members of a Rhodesia Conference church was discussed. It was voted that the missionaries who had assumed that their appointment as missionaries and their acceptance as members of Quarterly Conferences included recognition as members

of the church be considered as members of the Church in Rhodesia. This was accepted for this year and recommendation was made that 11 transfers be regularized.

Central Conference nominations were made by the Nominations committee and included those on the board not elected to General Conference. The nomination vote was called for, but time did not permit.

Adjournment was called at 9:50 p.m.

#### E. FIFTH DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1959

Devotions were led by Bishop Booth, using as his theme "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; not as the world give I unto you".

Conference session opened with Bishop Booth presiding. He announced that E. Alvord had passed away on May 6th at Waddilove Mission. The Conference stood in silent prayer to his memory, and the Rev. F.B. Rea paid tribute in prayer to his practical service and witness in the Master's service. It was indicated that there would be no floral tributes but gifts in memory should be given to Waddilove Institute. The Secretary was asked to express the condolence of the members of Conference to Mrs. Alvord and family by telegram.

Chief Nyajina thanked the Conference for this meeting and expressed his thanks to the missionaries for their good work in this area. Bishop Booth replied and thanked the Chief for his coming and expressed the hope that he and his people would be led to give their lives to Christ.

Nomination ballot was taken for Central Conference delegates.

Board of Evangelism report: Item 8 was discussed and then deleted. An amendment was suggested that the Secretary of Evangelism arrange for such temas as may be possible. The previous motion was dropped. Mr. Hassing pointed out the amount of money being spent by the Conference for evangelism in many fields of our work. Bishop Booth also said that we are evangelizing our people in many ways. The amendment was passed, and the report was accepted as amended. Evangelist Chipaumire may be invited to address meetings through the District Superintendents. Dr. Denman from the Board of Evangelism in America is being requested to come to our Conference, but negotiations are still under way.

Rukwadzano report changes: Discussion centred on item 2. S. Munjoma made a motion that the question passed in the 1958 session by the Board of Lay Activities not be brought before the Conference. The motion was lost.

Recess was called at 10:10 a.m. and Conference was reconvened at 10:40.

Nomination ballot names were recorded on the board and other nominations were received from the floor.

First ballot for Central Conference delegates was taken.

Board of Lay Activities report: discussion on the report of 1958, item 3, was continued. J. Kawadza made a substitute motion that if a woman is a full member of the Church, in good standing, and desires to join the Rukwadzano, the



question of her not having been married by Christian rites not be considered a reason for her not being accepted into membership.

Rukwadzano report: item 5 of the report was mentioned in regard to the wedding veil, but no decision was reached.

First ballot result was recorded.

Second ballot for Central Conference was taken.

Privilege of the house: information required for statistical information was referred to the Statistician.

Madagascar disaster: it was voted to ask all of our Church who are able to take an offering for this cause.

Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference dates were given as May 2-6, 1960. If these dates conflict with the dates of Annual Conference, we ask Bishop Dodge to inform them and ask for a change of dates.

Inyati celebrations: there is to be an exhibition and celebration in honour of Maffat and his party who arrived 100 years ago for missionary work. Each Mission is asked to provide an exhibit. This was referred to the Committee on Interdenominational Relations.

Announcements were made, followed by adjournment at 12:00.

Devotions were led by Rev. F.B. Rba, using as his theme "The Temptations of Opportunity".

F. SIXTH DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 8, 1959

Devotions were led by Bishop Booth, using as his theme "Resources from Jesus for Personal Living". "I came that they may have life and have it more abundantly".

Second ballot results: V. Otto and H. Griffin have the necessary number of votes. V. Otto will be the reserve delegate to General Conference for Ministerial delegates. G. Kapenzi and M. Deyo have tied as reserve lay delegates for General Conference.

Third ballot was taken.

Rukwadzano additional report: item 4 was adopted. Item 5 was referred to the Christian Home Life committee.

Minutes for the fourth day were approved.

Devotional Addresses: J. Wreford made the following proposal---"I have noticed that they have been recorded verbatim, and Bishop Booth has kindly given permission for them to be published and made available if so desired. I, therefore, move that this series of addresses be mimeographed and distributed either free or at cost of production. If this is adopted, orders could be placed and if necessary paid for, for later delivery before leaving Conference." It was agreed that the same should be incorporated into the Journal.

Board of Education--report of Committee on Schools: The report was read. The question was asked how children of Methodist parents who desire to enter higher standards can apply when they have been attending a school of another denomination. This can be done through the Methodist minister of the circuit. This



statement should be included in the mimeographed statement about applications which will be distributed. It was also suggested that church membership transfer be given when the student applies for entrance into a higher school. Field Committee has requested the Conference to ask that 2/- be added to the school fees for the support of African District School Superintendents and school equipment. This was referred to the Executive Board of Education. A. Katsande's problem of his people attending and supporting two churches was referred to the Superintendents, who will refer it to the Board of Education.

Board of Education--Religious Education report: The report was read. Supplementary report: Committee on a Guide for Class Meeting Leaders. A syllabus is needed to guide the leaders. Sub A is to take the first half of the Catechism; Sub B the second half. Std. I should have a Child's History of the Methodist Church somewhat on the order of the Manyai reading book. This was referred to the Publications committee who suggested that they wanted the manuscript submitted. Then it is to be submitted to the Executive of the Publications committee to expedite the process. Std. II is to take the first half of the Waedzwa book and Std. III the second half. All probationers should go through the Waedzwa book and this will mean duplication in some cases. Discussion followed. There is need for a greater use of the book for preparation for church membership. Not all of the Conference is using this book and it should be emphasized as a requirement for baptism and church membership.

Third ballot report: J. Makawa and E. Griffin were elected as lay delegates to Central Conference. K. Eriksson, M. Culver, and R. Nyamukapa were elected as ministerial delegates.

Recess was called at 10:07 and Conference re-convened at 10:37.

Fourth ballot was taken. Conference was reminded that there should be a representative from the W.D.C.S.

Board of Education--Supplementary Report on Class Leader's guide should be presented in writing and added to the report. This committee is to be continued. A Class Leader's guide for upper standards was discussed. The report was approved. The report of the committee on Class Meeting Guide was as follows: "We recommend that the Committee on Class Meeting Guide be continued, and that it prepare a manuscript of a simple reader to be used in Std. I, telling in simple terms the history of the Methodist Church. When prepared it should be submitted to the Board of Publications for approval and publication."

Replacement for the Children's Worker will be arranged by M. Ball.

Scripture Syllabus: Is Old Umtali prepared to produce such? This was referred to the Biblical Institute for implementation. Action passed.

M.Y.F. report was read. Item 5 of the original report has been deleted. Item 5 of the present report was read for emphasis. The report was accepted with the understanding that the correct Treasurer's balance be inserted.

Board of Education report was accepted, with the understanding that in item 1, only one job was to be held, not two.

Fourth ballot result was received.

Fifth ballot was taken.

Ngariende report was received.

Madagascar disaster information material has been distributed.

Temperance report was read. There was a question about points 1 and 6, but with clarification of the time of the Temperance offering, they were accepted. It was pointed out that the committee did not answer the question submitted to them concerning the growing and selling of tobacco. This was covered in item 7, asking for medical information. M. Ball asked the Conference if it wished to join forces with Synod in their campaign against drink. This was deferred until this report was adopted. There was a discussion about the use of tobacco in other countries. The vote was called for and the report was adopted.

Fifth ballot result was received.

Sixth ballot was taken.

Co-operation with Synod on the evils of drink was again called for and granted. An Institute on the Evils of Alcohol is to be arranged with the Old Umtali Biblical Institute and the Conference Secretary of Temperance.

Legislation concerning the advertisement of beer and cigarettes has just passed allowing certain firms to advertise these in the Government film vans which go into the Reserves, said Mr. Rea. It was agreed that an urgent resolution be sent to the Government asking that it be stopped. It was stated that another committee report will touch on this.

Medical Activities report was read and tabled for discussion.

Sixth ballot result was received.

Seventh ballot was taken.

Announcements were made. Corrections were noted for the evening session of the fourth day's Journal. The minutes of the fifth day were approved.

Adjournment came at 12:00 noon.

Veterans of the Cross Service was led by P. Hassing and J. Chidzikwe. There were no deaths among the missionary and African ministerial families this year. Tribute was paid to the sterling work of Mrs. Pearl Willis Jones and Miss Sarah King, who are leaving for retirement within the year.

Conference session reopened at 4:00 p.m.

Medical report: Questions were raised regarding the implementation of the plan and the approval of the Government of such a plan in view of suggestions made for raising the standard of the Nurses' Training School to full accreditation. It was agreed that the Cabinet control the appointment of more Africans to hold positions on the staff. Item 2, sub item 1 raised a question of pin-pointing the responsibility on one person. A motion was made

that a committee be appointed by the Bishop to study and make a report to the Field Committee on all phases of the needs and costs in personnel and other finance for the establishment of a full state Registered Nurses' Course at Nyadiri. The committee so appointed is: H. Griffin, P. Hassing, B. Horton, Mrs. D. Sadza, E. Ashby, M. Bayliss and M. Johansson. Section 3, point 2, and section 1 the Conference recommends to the Field Committee. No. 2 is referred to the Cabinet. The report was approved.

References to Field Committee: all, and especially secretaries of committees are asked to make note of the things to be referred to Field Committee, and see that they get to the Committee.

Seventh ballot result was received.

Eighth ballot was taken.

Board on the Ministry report: there was a discussion on the status to be given students when they graduate from Epworth Theological College. It was agreed that their names should be presented to the Conference prior to their graduation for approval as Supply Pastors. John Kurewa's name is to be added to the Approved Supply Pastor's list when he graduates from Epworth. The last paragraph of the report is to be reworded by O. Stine, M. Culver, and F.B. Rea. Geoffrey Kapenzi was approved to enter Epworth in January 1960 until a scholarship is arranged for him to study overseas. Abel Muzorewa is given leave to attend school. K. Mhandu and D. Chipaumire are approved as Approved Supply Pastors. Robert Gell was approved to take the course of studies for admission on trial. D. Mudzengerere and N. Chiwota were placed on trial in studies of the third year. Solomon Zuze was elected to Elders Orders. Alexander Alvord was transferred from the California Conference. M. Culver is to prepare a memorial to Central Conference to seek to obtain uniformity in what year of studies our graduates are to be placed for the Disciplinary questions.

Memorials to Central Conference, according to Bishop Booth, may be prepared by any member of the Methodist Church, as may those to General Conference, and the delegates are to be the committee to receive and arrange them.

Eighth ballot result: Mrs. S. Munjoma was elected a lay delegate, but there was no election for the ministerial delegates.

Ninth ballot for ministerial delegates was taken.

Dates for O.U.B.I. courses: to be arranged through the District Superintendents. The Ministers' Refresher Course was set for October 8-17.

Ninth ballot result: S. Kowo was elected as ministerial delegate to Central Conference.

Central Conference delegates:

Missionary Ministerial

K. Eriksson  
H. Griffin  
M. Culver  
V. Otto

Missionary Lay

M. Deyo  
E. Griffin  
J. Schevinus

African Ministerial

P. Nyamukapa  
S. Kowo  
J. Kawadza

African Lay

J. Machiri  
Mrs. S. Munjoma  
G. Kapenzi  
J. Makawa

Deaconess committee report was read and accepted.

Worship and Music committee report was read and accepted with a few minor changes.

Alternates to Central Conference: It was agreed that the three of each category receiving the highest votes are to be considered elected.

Central Conference delegates: The delegates stood and were presented. K. Choto is to convene the committee to elect a chairman so they can begin to take note of memorials to Conference.

Central Conference first ballot for alternates was taken.

Central Mission Press Trustees in Johannesburg would like the Press to be a project of the Central Conference. This was referred to the Board of Publications. It is understood that there is no change in the source of funds for the Press.

Co-Ordinating Council of Umtali report was read and accepted

Christian Home Life committee report was read and accepted. The Conference is asked to note the change in name since the Christian Social Action committee has been formed.

Ambassadors Quartet was presented with Wabvuwi pins and badges. Bishop Dodge then led in a prayer of dedication for the service and witness of the members of the quartet during their travels abroad. The Quartet then sang a Wabvuwi song while members of the Wabvuwi and Rukwadzano congratulated them.

Motion for Conference to reconvene at 7:30 was passed.

Central Conference suggested changes in Discipline were noted as mimeographed and referred to the committee on Memorials.

Central Conference Alternates:Missionary Ministerial

M. Ball  
O. Fink  
O. Stine

Missionary Lay

M. Gates  
J. Pfaff  
R. Schevenius

African Ministerial

K. Choto  
J. Chitombo  
S. Munjoma

African Lay

M. Wakatama  
D. Sadza  
I. Musamba

General Conference Reserve Lay Delegate: M. Doyo and G. Kapenzi tied for first place. G. Kapenzi was elected.

Central Conference Reserve Ministerial Delegate: O. Fink and M. Ball tied. M. Ball was elected.

Approval of the Journal for the fifth day was passed.

Announcements were made.

Adjournment was called at 5:37 p.m.

Evening session was opened at 7:30 p.m.

Treasurer's report was read and details listed on the blackboard. Questions were asked concerning the payment of ministers' salaries, when the money had not come in. Different Superintendents gave reasons why their districts were behind in their assessments. Suggestions were received.

Finance report was read. It was noted that we are three years behind in paying for our Conference Journal, even though the cost had been reduced by the Press. It was recommended that the £ 750 given by the Field Committee to assist in the payment of outstanding ministers' salaries be paid out pro-rata from a separate account, but this in no way reduces the indebtedness of each circuit for the outstanding amounts. Suggestions to help bring assessments up to date included a deeper spiritual life to be developed among our members, the use of receipt books and careful checking of amounts turned in, a check on accurate membership, an explanation of the organisation of the Church to the people, the acceptance of produce which can be sold, and the need for each member to practice tithing. A motion was made that we appoint a committee to suggest a method of procedure, but it was left to the individual Conference members to try to seek a solution by the next session.

Adjournment was called at 9:30 p.m.

#### G. SEVENTH DAY, SATURDAY, MAY 9, 1959

Devotions were led by Bishop Booth, using as his theme "God gives us the power to become what we should and the ability to respond to Him".

Conference session opened with the question of whether to continue on the Financial report from the previous session or to take further business on finance. The whole picture was called for.

Audit committee report was read. Those responsible were asked why the missing sets of books had not been presented for audit. O. Stine made a motion which was passed that the books of the circuit treasurers be brought for audit at the quarterly meeting. It was suggested that treasurers be chosen with greater care and that they be able to read and write. Mr. Hassing was asked to prepare the substance of his speech about the use of receipt books and careful checking of the money that comes in until it reaches its destination. An amendment was moved and passed that the books still to be audited for this year be brought by the treasurers concerned and that either the money or a signed statement of the amount of cash be brought signed by a member of the audit committee. The audit committee should be made known to the delegates. A change in paragraph 3 of the M.Y.F. report was noted for the Journal. The audit report was received.

Finance report statement: M. Murphree's statement was sent to the office to be mimeographed and distributed.

Ministers' salary statement: O. Stine's statement concerning supplementing ministers' salaries was also sent to be mimeographed and distributed.

Announcements were made.

Recess was called at 10 a.m., and re-convened at 10:30.

Birth announcement: Rev. and Mrs. Kuwana announce the birth of a daughter yesterday.

Agriculture committee announcement: Anyone wishing to contribute to a fund to be collected as a tribute to Mr. Alvord for Waddilove Institute may give the money to L. Blomquist or W. Kinyon.

Finances: Paragraphs 173 and 174 of the Discipline were called to the attention of the Conference and Bishop Booth urged everyone to tithe as the only real solution to the situation.

Student Loan committee report was read. Item 7, Student Loan Sunday, shall be July 26. The assets listed in the Student Loan Treasurer's report are not a true picture. It was moved to divide the amount to give a true picture. The Student Loan committee is to work with the Treasurer to decide on the division of this money. It was suggested that the list of those owing money to the fund be mimeographed for all Principals and School Superintendents. The report was received and passed.

Ministers' salaries: The total amount of those whose salaries are in arrears was read. A suggestion was made that the Treasurer be given a signed statement declaring the correct amount of indebtedness to each minister, as of March 31st. There is not enough money to cover the full amount; therefore, it is to be paid pro-rata. This was passed. A motion of clarification that the £750 is to be a gift towards the ministers' salaries, but not a gift to the circuits, was passed.

Ngariende Treasurer's report: A point of clarification in the treasurer's report was made, that the balance owing Ngariende minister's salary is not to be included in the pro-rata motion.

Announcements: Sub-Chief Muskwe was presented to the Conference and appreciation for his coming was expressed.

Greetings were received from Mr. and Mrs. M.J. Murphree.

Conference session was voted for 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment came at 12 noon.

Noon devotions were led by K. Choto on "The Love of God".

Conference session resumed at 2 p.m. with Bishop Dodge presiding.

Finance Committee: additional recommendations by M. Murphree. Item 1 was deleted. Items 2 and 3 were passed. Item 4 had a substitute that this Conference adopt and recommend to our people that they practice tithing rather than set fees. The motion was lost. Clarification: Each quarterly conference has the privilege of deciding if it will go back to the 2/- minimum fee or use other methods of raising funds. This was passed. Item 5 was held to come under the Agriculture report.

Finance Committee report: Items 1-9 were passed. Item 10 was deleted. Item 11 was referred to Field Committee, with the words "of last year" deleted. The figure of £143-15-10 was

agreed upon. Item 12 was deleted. Items 13-15 were passed. The Conference Secretary is to give Rusape church a letter authorizing them to solicit funds for their new building.

Announcements were made.

Recess was called at 3:30 and Conference re-convened at 4:00.

Finance Report--Budget: Item 3 includes travel to Synod. Item 4 was paid out for 1956 Central Conference Fund. It was passed to put £600 into the budget for Central Conference Fund, with one negative vote. Item 5 was increased to £40. In item 7, the amount from Conference Treasurer is £10. Item 8, changed to £70, travel only to be paid by the cheapest way. Item 9--African District Superintendents. Action in Daily proceedings is correct in the 1958 Journal. Page 273, item 2, should be deleted. Item 13 is obligatory. Item 14 is deleted, with the understanding that M. Ball will care for it in her budget. Items 11 and 12 are deleted. The total budget figure of £1,670 was passed as corrected. Mr. Gates is to write out a statement concerning indebtedness to be presented later.

Board of Conference Claimants report was adopted.

Board of Trustees report was adopted with the insertion of "that part of" before Kisnacloon known as Sunnyside in paragraph 1.

Interdenominational Relations report: Item 1--Dr. and Mrs. Horton were suggested to attend the S.E. Africa Conference. If anyone is in any of these places listed, the Bishop is empowered to appoint them as our fraternal delegates. Item 3--1962 class was nominated. G. Kapenzi will be a theological student and his name will need to be replaced. This was referred to the committee for an oral report. Item 4--to be done by the Secretarial Staff. Also to be extended to the Free Methodist Church. Item 5--The question was raised as to how the expense was to be met. This was referred to the Field Committee. B. Snalley has been asked to call this to the attention of the Field Committee. Item 8--The question was asked, "Do we jeopardize our position". The answer was, "No." The committee was asked to nominate one member of our Conference to the standing committee. The report was adopted.

Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference will meet in May, 1960. It is understood the dates will not conflict with our Annual Conference which will also meet in May.

Appreciation: J. Chitombo requested that we write a letter of appreciation to the Presbyterian Church thanking them for the use of their church building since 1951. This was referred to the Secretary. Bishop Dodge will also go in person to thank them during one of their services. A rising vote of thanks was given.

Minutes of the Sixth Day were held for re-typing.

Editor of the Journal: On motion of J. Wroford, the Secretary was elected to edit and publish the Journal, to make such alterations as may be necessary for the correctness and uniformity, without changing the meaning of any action of the Conference, and that the published copy properly certified by the President and the Secretary, be the Official Journal of the Conference.



Announcements were given.

Conference evening session began at 7:00.

Report on Recommendations of Interdenominational Relations:

1. For the Standing Committee of the Southern Africa Regional Conference of the World Methodist Council: Bishop Dodge.
2. Theological Council, Class of 1960: E. Chieza in place of G. Kapenzi.
3. Delegates to Southern Rhodesia Christian Conference: K. Eriksson (chm), H. Griffin, B. Horton, M. Murphree, M. Wakatama, W. Kinyon, V. Culver, S. Kowo, K. Choto, I. Mhlanga. The chairman has the right to appoint any other Methodist member a voting delegate in case of absence of the above. M. Murphree reported that 6 of these are already members of the S.R.C.C. at this time. K. Eriksson replaces P. Hassing who was on the Committee on Education by virtue of his being on the Central Advisory Board. The report was accepted.

Committee on Christian Social Relations (Revised Report): The report was read and accepted. It was suggested that this report be sent to the Press and the Minister of Race Relations in the Department of Home Affairs. Motion was made and passed that the Committee pick out certain relevant portions for publication through the Press. The Committee must speak only in its own name on various issues except in cases when the Annual Conference authorizes it to speak in the name of the Conference with a statement approved by the Conference.

Agriculture committee report was accepted with the deletion of item 4.

Memorials to Central Conference are referred to the delegates to Central Conference.

Finance Committee additional recommendations: Item 5 was presented and accepted.

Retirement for full-time workers: A committee is to be appointed by the Bishop to work out a plan for Field Committee, regarding retirement places for full-time workers who retire in the job after a given period of service.

Board of Publications report was read. Items 1,2,5 under New Business are referred to Field Committee. Item 3 should remain with the Publications committee. Item 6 was referred to the Executive of the Board for reconsideration. The report was accepted with the above changes.

Committee on Approval of the Journal reported that the first of the Daily Proceedings for the Sixth Day, Friday afternoon, is reprinted in corrected form. It was accepted as corrected.

Assessment deficit: A motion was made and passed that the budget for the coming year be changed to read £400 for Central Conference instead of £600. All ministers and other workers are asked to go back to their churches and do all they can to get these Conference Assessments in for last year as soon as possible. A motion was made and passed that the Treasurer accept money sent in up until the end of June this year for last year's assessments. All church organisations having a balance in their treasuries are asked to do all they can to help in getting the deficit of £ 1078 paid. An offering of £43-9-1 was taken toward the deficit.



Conference Lay Leader's report: It was suggested that in item 5 the Shona be changed to read the same as the English copy. Amendment that implementation of item 1 should be held until next year. Item 8 is withdrawn as it repeats item 4. Cabinet was asked to appoint a Conference Director of Lay Activities as soon as possible. The report was adopted with the above corrections.

Committee on Matters of Discipline report was accepted.

Calendar of the Rhodesia Conference was received with the following additions:

July 12--Christian Social Relations

July 6-9--African Christian Convention North and South

Sept. 21-25--Rukwadzano Training School

The two conflicting dates for Aug. 6-9 of R.R.W. Annual Meeting (North) and African Christian Convention (North and South) to the officers of these organisations and ask them to reconsider these dates and report to the session tomorrow.

Discipline Committee: It was moved that the Conference Discipline Committee be made a Standing Committee.

Nominations Committee: The name of Edward Machiri was added to the Board of Education, and B. Mutambara was substituted for D. Munyamana on Student Loan Committee.

Beira Committee gave its report, suggesting that the World Wide Communion Sunday offering taken in the local churches be used for the work of this committee.

Adjournment was called at 11:20 p.m.

Supplement to the Board on the Ministry report: We heard with interest of a plan to offer land at Epworth to other denominations to establish Theological Colleges in areas adjacent to Epworth with a view to developing an Ecumenical Centre.

H. EIGHTH DAY, SUNDAY, MAY 10, 1959

Morning prayers were led by M. Muparutsa.

Ordination Service opened with Hymn 9, "Baba, Zino Tinokudza". Prayer and the Scripture lesson from Joshua 1: 5-9 was followed by the Gloria. The New Testament lesson was from St. John 10:9-16.

Received on Trial: David Mudzengerere and Nathaniel Chiwota.

Ordained as Elders: Elijah Chimbanga, Alfred Katsande, David Chinogurei, John Nemaungwe, Davison Chikosi, Ezekiel Matongo, and Solomon Zuzo.

Missionaries who have returned during the year were presented to the Conference, along with Rev. and Mrs. Hassing who will be leaving to teach Missions in Boston School of Theology.

Benediction was pronounced by Bishop Booth.

Morning Worship Service, 11:00, was opened with Hymn 1, "M'Psene, M'Psene, M'Psene". The Call to Worship was given by J. Chitombo and Hymn 16, "Baba Wedu, Mwakazita" was sung, followed by Chitando che Wapostori. L. Chieza led in prayer.

A special song was sung by a Missionary Ladies' Chorus. Two children were baptized. The Scripture lesson was Acts 17:1-9. The Ambassadors' Quartet sang, "Be a Hero" during the taking of the offering. Hymn 5, "Tenzi, Taungana" was sung. Bishop Dodge spoke on the theme, "The Church in a Time of Revolution." Hymn 293, "O Jesu, Muri Nheyo", was sung, followed by the Benediction.

Conference session began at 2:00 p.m.

Retirement for full-time workers: according to action of the Conference, Bishop Dodge appointed the following committee to work out a plan for Field Committee regarding retirement places for full-time workers of our Conference: J. Nemaungwe (Chm), G. Karenzi, P. Nyamukapa, J. Maramba, J. Rugayo.

School Fees: The Chairman of the Board of Education reported on the question referred to their Executive Committee regarding the Field Committee action that beginning in January, 1960, school fees be increased by 2/- per child. One shilling is to go to a common fund to help pay salaries of African School Superintendents and one shilling for classroom equipment. "We recommend that 6d per child be added to school fees beginning January, 1960, to help pay the salaries of African School Superintendents. We feel the equipment funds together with the present subsidies from the Government are adequate so we do not favour any additional fee for equipment". The motion was passed. It was recommended that the District Superintendents explain this action of Conference at their District meetings, including the complete use of school fees.

Announcements were made.

Conference Journal Index: It was reported that the Secretarial staff found it impossible to have time to prepare the index of the Journal. It was passed that we rescind the previous action of Conference on this matter.

Alvord Fund: £ 8 has been received as a memorial to Mr. Alvord to be sent to Waddilove Institute.

Nominations Committee: The following, named to work on the question of land for widows at Nyadiri, are to work in conjunction with the Committee appointed by Bishop Dodge to work on a plan for retirement places for full-time workers of our Conference-- E. deVries (Convenor), Mrs. W. Marima, Mrs. W. Maibaya, Mrs. H. Griffin, and the Nyadiri pastor.

Finance Committee: It was passed to have Alfred Katsande added to the Committee.

Solo by K. Eriksson, "How Great Thou Art", was followed with prayer by Bishop Dodge.

Recess was called at 3:30, and Conference was re-convened at 4:00.

M.Y.F. announcement: Pins are available at Nyadiri and the Christian Centre in Umtali. More distribution places were requested, and the question was left to the M.Y.F. to decide.

District Lay Leaders:

Mutambara--R. Gwinya  
Maranke--J. Chingono  
Nyadiri--J. Tsiga  
Mtoko--H. Mafunga

Mutasa--  
Mrewa--P. Mutize  
Makoni--M. Mataranyika

Daily Journal: for the Seventh Day are corrected as follows: page 2 Finance Committee, delete words "set up" to approve. Also add the following: All Social Workers as well as Religious Education workers be included in this motion. Page 5, Rhodesia Conference Calendar, delete July 6-9, African Christian Convention (North and South).

Conference Calendar changes: August 6-9--African Christian Convention South, August 20-23--African Christian Convention North, September 17-20--Wabvuwi North, September 21-25--Rukwadzano Meeting.

Conference Journal: It was decided to authorize the secretarial staff to prepare bound minutes of our 1959 Conference in a more acceptable form than the previously proposed sheets which have been passed out day by day, according to their discretion as funds permit. H. Griffin moved a standing vote of thanks to M. Deyo for the great amount of work she and her staff have done in preparing the mimeographed minutes.

Ngariende Committee: The District Superintendents are asked to help check the money received by Ngariende to see that it is put in a proper book.

Conference Assessments: It was moved that the Conference Assessments paid into the Conference Treasurer by the circuits be immediately credited to their respective ledger accounts in the Treasurer's ledger strictly on the percentage basis that each budgeted item is of the total approved budget of the Conference, and further, that money be paid out of these accounts for their particular purpose only as, and if, it is available in these particular ledger accounts. After much discussion, it was asked that Bishop Dodge appoint a Committee of five to study the above problem and bring back a recommendation to the Conference at the evening session. Bishop Dodge appointed the following: K. Eriksson, P. Hassing, R. Gates, K. Choto, and J. Chitombo.

Kariba: The religious situation at Kariba was reported. There is Roman Catholic, Anglican, and Synod work being carried on there. S. Chioza reported that there are 43 members of the Rhodesia Conference at Kariba.

#### Christian Social Action Committee: Newspaper Release

"The Annual Conference of the Methodist Church of Southern Rhodesia, meeting in its regular sessions at Nyadiri Methodist Mission have elected a Committee on Christian Social Action to guide the Conference in considering some of the important social problems facing us in Southern Rhodesia today.

"This committee called for the formation of small inter-racial study groups to be set up in our churches and communities during the coming year to study seriously the following questions:

1. The rights of individuals living together under a government that is not yet constituted by universal franchise.
2. The extension of the vote towards universal franchise.
3. The economic problems resulting from two communities living together whose standards of living have been very different and the problem of equalizing them.
4. The best methods possible for educating large masses of people to good citizenship.
5. The lack of real harmony and deep understanding between European and African members of our churches, especially in ways where segregation remains between them.

6. The ever-increasing grave social problems of alcohol, tobacco, and gambling.

"To act as a guide for these study groups the Committee suggested the Social Creed of the Methodist Church which has been included in the Methodist Discipline for many years:

"The Methodist Church must view the perplexing times and problems which we face today in the light of the teachings of Jesus. Jesus taught us to love our neighbours and seek justice for them. To be silent in the face of need, injustice, and exploitation is to deny him.

"We believe that God is Father of all peoples and races, that Jesus Christ is His Son, that all men are brothers and that man is of infinite worth as a child of God.

"We believe that a Christian society is essential to the full nurture of a Christian person.

"We believe that sin, both individual and social, stands under the judgment of God, and that the grace of God in Christ is available for redemption in all areas of life as we seek in penitence and obedience to do His Holy Will.

"We believe that all persons have supreme value in the sight of God, and ought to be so regarded by us. We test all institutions and practices by their effect upon persons. Personality is oppressed in many parts of the world, and we seek its emancipation and those things which will enrich and redeem it. Since Jesus died for the redemption of human life, we believe we should live to help save man from sin, and from every influence which would harm or destroy him." (Discipline of the Methodist Church, Social Creed, p. 2626 section ii)

"It is hoped that, with the aid of many small groups studying these social problems during the year, the Conference Committee on Christian Social Action will be better able to guide the Annual Conference in taking action at its next Session."

At the Committee's suggestion, the Annual Conference of the Methodist Church of Southern Rhodesia adopted the following statement:

"On its recent actions towards removing the colour bar, we commend the Southern Rhodesian Government. We would wholeheartedly encourage the continuance of this policy which would eventually make Partnership a reality.

"We would reaffirm that we believe in equal opportunities for all people irrespective of race, nationality, or creed. We believe in free speech, free religious assembly, and a free press as essential to the free communication of ideas, and deplore any action which would weaken or negate these rights."

Reports: Delegates to Angola, Rev. and Mrs. Stine, and Rev. and Mrs. Hassing, delegates to East Africa, gave their reports on the respective Annual Conferences.

Mr. Rea from Synod expressed his thanks on behalf of the other delegates for being at our Conference. He especially enjoyed the fine family spirit shown in our Conference and our fine music. He invited all interested in the Capricorn Society to meet with him at the close of this session.

Mrs. Dodge was presented to the Conference, as she will be leaving soon for overseas.

Resolutions Committee report was read and accepted.

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Motion was moved that after the reading of the appointments, the Conference take its final adjournment.

Announcements were made.

Adjournment came at 5:45 p.m.

Evening session began at 7:00 p.m.

Conference Assessments: The following motion was brought from the special committee appointed:

1. Moved that we ask Field Committee to agree that 50% of the 1959/60 District Church budgets of Field Committee be advanced by the Field Treasurer to the Conference Treasurer immediately after June 1, 1959, to be a working capital for the new financial year. This money is not to be returned to the Field Treasurer.
2. That the District Superintendents' salaries and travel have priority on this money from the Field Committee District Church budgets.
3. That the assessments remain as they are and the motion already before us be accepted as it now reads: Moved that the Conference Assessments paid into the Conference Treasurer by the circuits be immediately credited to their respective ledger accounts in the Treasurer's ledger strictly on the percentage basis, that each budgeted item is of the total approved budget of the Conference, and further, that money be paid out of these accounts for their particular purpose, only as, and if, it is available in these particular ledger accounts. This motion was passed with one negative vote.

Rhodesia Mission Press offer: The press is willing to put in £200 to help clear off the indebtedness of the Conference if the different Societies of the Conference will match this amount. This offer was greeted with clapping and the Societies will confer to see what they can contribute.

Amount raised during this Conference in contributions from the different members was £55.

Appreciation was expressed by Bishop Dodge for all those who helped in different ways during this Conference. Special thanks was given to Bishop Booth who had come as a guest and who presided at several of the sessions.

Ambassadors' Quartet sang "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken". They expressed their appreciation for all that has been done for them and for the Conference undertaking to send them on their singing tour to Europe and America.

Appointments were read.

Conference adjourned with prayer and the Benediction at 8:00 p.m. Following this, the students in training at Epworth Theological College conducted a service.

# CERTIFICATE OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY:

This certifies that this volume of the Twenty-first Session of the Rhodesia Conference of the Methodist Church held at Nyadiri Mission, Southern Rhodesia, May 3-10, 1959, is a complete and correct record of the proceedings and reports (which are published under VI) and as such was adopted by the action of the Conference as its official record.

*Ralph E. Dodge*

President

*Robert W. Goodloe*

Secretary

## CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION:

This is to certify that I, Ralph Edward Dodge, a Bishop of the Methodist Church, ordained after election by the Rhodesia Conference, as Elders: Elijah Chimbanga, Alfred Katsande, David Chinogurei, John Nemaungwe, Davison Chikosi, Ezekiel Matongo, and Solomon Zuze, according to the usages and Discipline of the Methodist Church.

Sunday, May 10, 1959  
Nyadiri Mission, Southern  
Rhodesia

*Ralph E. Dodge*

## IV. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

### THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The business of the Annual Conference, held at Nyadiri Mission, Southern Rhodesia, May 3-10, 1959, Bishop Ralph E. Dodge and Bishop Newell S. Booth presiding:

#### A. ORGANISATION AND INTRODUCTORY REPORTS:

1. Who are the Officers of the Conference?  
Secretary: Robert W. Goodloe  
Statistician: Charles M. Miller  
Treasurer: Robert C. Gates
2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? Yes, see Constitution.
3. Are the Officers handling funds bonded? No.
4. What is the report of the Programme Committee as to the hours of the session, the bar of the Conference and the programme? See official Conference Programme and see Report of First Day of the Daily Proceedings.
5. Who are the Members of the Boards and Committees? See Part II, list of Boards, Commissions and Committees.
6. a. Who is elected Conference Lay Leader? Jasper Machiri.  
b. What is his report? See Part VI, Reports of Boards and Commissions.  
c. Who are confirmed as District Lay Leaders? See Conference Roll.

7. What are the reports of the District Superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts and suggestions for the work of the future? See District Superintendents' Composite Report.

B. PERTAINING TO MINISTERIAL RELATIONS:

8. Having made enquiries as to the life and character of the ministerial members of the Conference, does the Board on the Ministry recommend that they be continued in the effective ministry? Yes.
9. Who are the Approved Supply Pastors? J. Chingono, R. Gwinya, P. Dube, P. Kanonuhwa, T. Katiyo, P. Kajesc, D.M. Katsidzira, L. Kasambira, S. Kanyenze, J. Makande, K. Mhandu, D. Chibumire, J. Kurewa.
10. What Approved Supply Pastors now under full time employment are taking the Conference Course of Study? None.
11. Who are recommended to take the course for Reception on Trial? Robert Gell, Basil Muzorewa, Geoffrey Kapenzi.
12. Who are received on Trial? David Mudzengerere, Nathaniel Chiwota.
13. Who remain on Trial?
- a. In studies of the first year? None.
  - b. In studies of the second year? None.
  - c. In studies of the third year? David Mudzengerere, Nathaniel Chiwota.
  - d. In studies of the fourth year? Alexander Alvord, Obadiah Manjengwa.
14. Who on Trial are discontinued? None.
15. Who are admitted to full connection? None.
16. What full members are in studies?
- a. Of the third year?
  - b. Of the fourth year?
17. What full members have completed studies of the fourth year? Elijah Chimbanga, Alfred Katsande, Ezekiel Matongo, David Chinogureyi, Davison Chikosi, and John Nemaungwe.
18. Who have been elected and ordained Deacons? None.
19. Who have been elected and ordained Elders?
- a. As Local Preachers? None.
  - b. As members in the course of study? Elijah Chimbanga, Alfred Katsande, Ezekiel Matongo, David Chinogureyi, Davison Chikosi, John Nemaungwe, Solomon Zuze.
20. Who have had their Conference membership terminated?
- a. By voluntary location? None.
  - b. By involuntary location? None.
  - c. By withdrawal? Arnold Boucher to join another denomination.
  - d. By judicial procedure? None.
21. What ministerial members have died during the year? None.

22. What ministers have retired?
  - a. This year? None.
  - b. Previously? Philip Chioza, Henry I. James, Benjamin Katsidzira, David Mandisodza, Marshall J. Murphree, Zachariah Mukombiwa, Reginald Ngonyama, T.A. O'Farrell, George A. Roberts.
23. Who are left without appointment to attend school? Abel Muzorewa.
24. What other personal notations should be made?
  - a. Received from other Conferences? Alexander Alvord from California Conference.
  - b. Transferred out? L.E. Adkins to S.E. Africa Conference, Arthur Mansure to the Indiana Conference.
  - c. Who have been granted supernumerary relationship? Josiah Chimbadzwa.
  - d. Who have been given special appointments? Kenneth Harper to the University of Kentucky.

#### C. GENERAL BUSINESS:

25. What are the reports of the Boards, Committees, and Secretaries of the Conference? See Part VI, Reports of Boards and Committees.
26. What is the report of the Conference Statistician? See Part VI, Reports of Boards and Committees.
27. What is the report of the Conference Treasurer? See Part VI, Reports of Boards and Committees.
28. What is the report of the Audit Committee? See Part VI, Reports of Boards and Committees.
29. What is the schedule for the minimum support for Pastors? See Salary Scale as adopted by the 1954 Conference.
30. What apportionment of the Conference Funds are recommended by the Finance Committee?
  - a. For Conference Claimants? Circuit £5 per annum. Pastor £2-10-0 per annum.
  - b. For World Service? Free will offering.
  - c. For Episcopal Fund? 2% of the Pastor's cash salary.
  - d. For General Administration? Assessed by membership.
  - e. Central Conference Fund? Assessed by membership.
  - f. For District Superintendents' support? See report of Finance Committee, Part VI, 1958 Journal.
31. What are the objectives of the Conference for the coming year? See various reports adopted by the Conference.
32. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Old Umtali Mission.
33. Is there any other business? None.
34. What are the appointments for the coming year? See list of appointments.



## V. APPOINTMENTS

## A. MAKONI DISTRICT

Superintendent:	Luke Chieza 2
Asst. Supt. and Supt. of Schools:	Alex Alvord 1
Women's Work:	Mrs. L. Chieza and Mrs. A. Alvord
Supt. of Schools for Gandanzara Circuit:	Isaac Musamba
Rusape English Circuit:	Alex Alvord 1
Chiduku North Circuit:	John Nemaungwe 3
Evangelist:	To be supplied
Chiduku South Circuit:	Elia Jangano 1
Evangelist:	To be supplied
Headlands Circuit:	David Mudzengerere 1
Evangelist:	To be supplied
Chikore Tanda Circuit:	David Chinogurei 1
Evangelist:	To be supplied
Gandanzara Circuit:	Patrick Machiri 6
R.E. Worker:	(Kenneth Mhandu)

## B. MARANKE DISTRICT

Superintendent:	R.C. Gates 2
Supt. of Schools:	R.C. Gates 2
Women's Work:	Mrs. R.C. Gates
R.E. Worker:	(Johnson Chingono)
Maranke North Circuit:	Samuel Munjoma 7
Maranke Central Circuit:	Obadiah Manjengwa 1
Maranke South Circuit:	Ezekiel Matongo 5

## C. MREWA DISTRICT

Superintendent:	Jonah Chitombo 6
Supt. of Schools:	Hans Anfinzen 2
Asst. Supt. of Schools:	C. Landin
R.E. Worker:	To be supplied
Women's Work:	Mrs. J. Chitombo, Mrs. H. Anfinzen, Mrs. C. Landin
Mrewa English Circuit:	To be supplied
Mrewa Mission:	
Chairman:	Hans Anfinzen 1
Asst. Chairman:	Charles Landin
Howard Memorial Church:	Enoch Munjoma 2
Deaconess:	Ivy Mhlanga
Central Primary School:	
Principal:	Hans Anfinzen 1
Secretary:	Mrs. C. Landin
Headmaster:	(A.G. Dangarembga)
Mrewa North Circuit:	Wilson Mandisodza 7
Mrewa South Circuit:	Hosea Katsidzira 22
Mrewa East Circuit:	Davidson Mushapaidza 2
Mrewa West Circuit:	Daniel Makuto 3
Salisbury Circuit:	Samuel Chieza 9
R.E. Worker:	(Josiah Makande)
Women's Work:	Mrs. S. Chieza
Missionary Advisor:	Robert W. Goodloe

## D. MUTAMBARA DISTRICT

Superintendent:	A. Leiknes 1
Supt. of Schools:	A. Leiknes 1
Asst. Supt. of Schools:	Grace Otto 1
R.E. Worker:	(R. Gwinya)

Women's Work:	Mrs. A. Leiknes
Mutambara Mission:	
Chairman:	Kare Eriksson (Temporarily)
Centre Church:	Patron Nyamukapa 1
Women's Work:	Mrs. K. Eriksson, Mrs. P. Nyamukapa, Mrs. J. Perry, Mrs. C.V. Carroll
Boys' Boarding and Farm	J. Perry until arrival of C.V. Carroll
Principal of Schools:	Kare Eriksson (Temporarily)
Teacher Training:	
Headmistress:	Vivian Otto 3
Staff:	Else Roed, Arlene Petersen
Central Primary:	
Headmaster:	(Jasper Machiri)
Practice School:	
Headmaster:	(Kenneth Chikwinya)
Girls' Department:	Grace Otto 3
Dispensary and Maternity:	R. Hanson and E. Sweeney
Medical and Clinic Extension:	The Nursing Staff
Mutambara East Circuit:	Davison Chikosi 4
Mutambara West Circuit:	Silas Kasambira 8
Nyanyadzi Circuit:	Jackson Rugayo 8

#### E. MTASA DISTRICT

Superintendent:	Luke Chieza 3
Supt. of Schools:	Isaac Musamba
R.E. Worker:	To be supplied
Nyakatsapa Circuit:	Samuel Muzulu 4
Evangelist:	(G. Rakabopa)
Inyanga North Circuit:	Alfred Katsande 5
Penhalonga Mundenda Circuit:	Jonah Machiri 5
Honde Circuit:	S. Kanyenze
Evangelist:	D.M. Katsidzira
Old Umtali Mission:	
Administration:	
Chairman:	Maurice E. Culver 1
Hostess:	Mrs. M.E. Culver
Rhodesia Mission	
Press Manager:	Everett Matzigkeit
Maintenance and Service Manager:	Dale Shires
Fairfield Girls' Dept:	J.A. Pfaff
Woodlands Farm:	Lennart Blomquist 2
Medical Unit:	P.W. Jones, then A. Whitney
Ehnes Memorial Church:	
Pastor:	Josiah Chidzikwe 3
Asst. Pastor:	Edward Aeschliman 1
Bookstore Manager:	Ruth Matzigkeit
Hartzell Training School:	
Principal:	I.W. Jansen
Secretary:	Mrs. I.W. Jansen
Secondary School:	
Headmaster:	(Samuel Tsopotsa)
Staff:	B. Feather, M. Smock (A. Porteus, S.V. Lumb, R. Smith)
Central Primary:	
Headmaster:	(Geoffrey Kapenzi)
Practice School:	
Headmaster:	(Weston Tauro)

## F. MTOKO DISTRICT

Superintendent:	Ovid Stine 2
Asst. Superintendent:	Simon Kowo 3
Supt. of Schools:	Ben Averitt until Dec. 31 To be supplied after Dec. 31
Women's Work:	Mrs. O. Stine and Mrs. S. Kowo
Mtoko English Circuit:	Marshall Murphree 2
Nyamuzuwe Centre:	
Chairman and Principal:	Ovid Stine 1
Secretary:	Mrs. O. Stine
Girls' Work:	Mrs. O. Stine
Central Primary School:	
Headmaster:	(Jonah Muskwe)
Mtoko South Circuit:	Simon Kowo 3
Mtoko East Circuit:	Elisha Kuwana 3
Mtoko North Circuit:	Elijah Chimbanga 3
Chikwizo Circuit:	Jonah Kawadza 2

## G. NYADIRI DISTRICT

Superintendent:	Jonah Chitombo 6
Supt. of Schools:	Marshall Murphree 3
Asst. Supt. of Schools:	Mrs. M. Murphree
R.E. Worker:	To be supplied
Women's Work:	Mrs. J. Chitombo, Mrs. M. Murphree
Nyadiri Centre:	
Chairman and Principal:	H.D. Griffin 2
O'Farrell Church	J.B. Jijita 3
Office Manager:	Mrs. H.D. Griffin
Teacher Training School:	
Headmaster:	George Fleshman
Staff:	E. deVries, R. Gell, L. Pfaff (M.D. Sadza)
Central Primary School:	
Headmaster:	(M.D. Sadza)
Lower Primary School:	
Headmaster:	(William Marima)
Girls' Dept:	Sarah King until July 20 E. deVries after July 20
Boys' Boarding Dept.:	H.D. Griffin 2
Farm Manager:	H.D. Griffin 2
Building and Utilities:	John Schevenius
Washburn Memorial Hospital:	
Medical Supt.:	Bennett Horton
Matron Directress of Nursing:	M. Johannson until Aug. 1 M. Bayless after Aug. 1
Director of Nurses:	(T. Kuture)
Supervisor of Wards:	To be supplied
Sister in Charge of Surgery:	M. Bayless, then J. Larsen
Head Nurse--Surgery:	(M. Jambga)
Sister in Charge of Maternity:	Ruth Lind
Head Nurse--Maternity:	To be supplied
Supervisor of X-Ray:	M. Johannson until Aug. 1 R. Lind after Aug. 1
Assistant in X-Ray:	To be supplied
Lab. Supervisor:	M. Bayless then J. Larsen
Lab. Assistant:	To be supplied
Bacteriologist:	Ruth Schevenius
Dispenser Pharmac'l Supply:	M. Bayless, then J. Larsen

Financial Secy:	Ruth Lind
Office Asst:	To be supplied
Supervisor Sewing Room:	Evelyn Horton
Hospital Chaplain:	Titus Maranke 1
Nursing Orderly Training School:	
Principal Sister Tutor:	Elma Ashby
Asst. Sister Tutor:	Ethylene Sadza
Sister Tutor in Maternity:	Ruth Lind
Clinical Ward Teaching:	E. Horton, E. Sadza
Hospital Maintenance and Repair:	John Schevenius
Kitchen Supervisor:	To be supplied
Laundry Supt:	John Schevenius
Medical Extension:	Pearl Willis Jones
Baby Fold:	Ruth Lind
Maramba Fungwe Circuit:	Nason Madzinga 3
Evangelist:	(P. Kajese)
Uzumba North Circuit:	Amon Kajese 7
Evangelist:	(Nicholas Muskwe)
Uzumba South Circuit:	Amon Kajese 7
Nyadiri Circuit:	Philemon Gurupira 1
Evangelist:	(Titus Katiyo)
Nyadiri East Circuit:	Nason Chigubu 2
Evangelist:	To be supplied

#### H.. UMTALI-ZIMUNYA DISTRICT

Superintendent:	A. Leiknes 1
Women's Work:	Mrs. A. Leiknes
School Supt:	A. Leiknes 1
R.E. Worker:	To be supplied
Umtali Urban Area:	
St. Andrews Circuit:	Omar Fink 2
R.E. Director:	Mrs. O. Fink
Miller Memorial Church Circuit:	Moses Muparutsa 1
Asst. Pastor:	N. Dikanifuwa 3
Evangelist:	(P. Dube)
Methodist Christian Centre:	Esther Russell--also C.M. Miller on arrival
Umtali Methodist Council of Co-ordination:	Ministers of St. Andrews and Miller Memorial Churches, Dir. of African Girls Hostel, Dir. of Meth. Christian Centre, R. C. Gates, J.S. Wreford
African Girls Hostel:	M. Deyo until June 19--R. Hassing June 19-December.
Zimunya South Circuit:	Johnson Maramba 5
Zimunya North Circuit:	Solomon Zuze 2

#### I. SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Scholars studying Abroad:	
Crusade Scholarship for Medicine:	Elisha Mutasa
WDGS Travel Scholarship:	Reginald Ngonyama
Experienced Pastors Scholarship to Drew University:	Mrs. R. Ngonyama
	J. Chidzikwe

- Overseas Scholarship for Theological Study:  
Scholars appointed to study at Epworth: Abel Muzorewa  
J. Kurewa, E. Jijita, J. Muziti, J. Munjoma, B. Muzorewa, G. Kapenzi
- Scholars appointed to study at O.U.B.I.: J. Makuto, E. Mutanga, L. Kasiamhuru, W. Makunike, F. Kadenga, I. Mawokamatanda, L. Nyanungo, J. Masenda, Mai Samudzimu
- Correspondents:  
African Christian Advocate: Mrs. M. Murphree  
European Newspapers: Everett Matzigkeit  
Bantu Newspapers: A.G. Dangarembga  
Methodist Woman: Mrs. M. Murphree  
World Outlook: Everett Matzigkeit  
Methodist Story: Mrs. W. Kinyon
- Special Assignments on the Field:  
Administrative Asst. to the Bishop: Kare Eriksson  
Conf. Sec. of Evangelism: Marshall Murphree (Davisson Chipaumire)  
Assistant: Marcia Ball  
Conf. Sec. of Temperance: Marcia Ball  
Directress Shona Language School: Ila Scovil  
Ag. Extensionist: Wallace Kinyon  
Ag. Edn. Program: Bruce Smalley  
Secretary: Mrs. W. Kinyon  
Conf. Director of Youth and Lay Activities: To be supplied  
M.Y.F. Counsellor: Mrs. R. Goodloe  
Conf. Director of Christian Ed.: Marcia Ball  
Women's Bible Training Evangelism: Marcia Ball  
Lit. Dist. Bookvan: N. Chiwota  
R.R.W. Missionary advisors: Mrs. M.E. Culver, Mrs. H.D. Griffin  
Field Treasurer: M. Deyo  
Legal Representative of D.W.M. Kare Eriksson
- Missionaries on Furlough:  
B. Higgs, C.M. Millers, E.L. Sells, J. Larsen, M. Taylor, A. Whitney, L. Pfaff, M. Piburns, T. Roberts, P. Hassings, F. Hackler, S. Hervold, P.W. Jones, S. King, M. Johansson, E. Parks
- Ecumenical Appointments:  
Epworth Theological College: Robert W. Goodloe, Martin Chiza  
Mrs. R. Goodloe, Mrs. M. Chiza  
Old Umtali Biblical Institute: M.E. Culver, Kenneth Choto  
Mrs. Culver, Mrs. Choto  
Fraternal Delegates to Synod: See Report of Committee on Interdenominational Relations  
Beira Committee: R.C. Gates  
Advisory Council to N.E.D.: Administrative Assistant
- Beyond Conference Boundaries:  
Univ. of Kentucky: Kenneth Harper

Appointments to Language	
School:	To be supplied as available
Representatives Abroad:	
Ambassadors Quartet:	D. Nyamurowa, D. Kasambira, J. Njagu, B. Jambga
W.D.C.S. in U.S.A.:	Mrs. Jonah Chitombo

## VI. REPORTS

### A. STANDING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

#### 1. CHRISTIAN HOME LIFE

The Christian Home and Family Life programme is being promoted throughout Rhodesia. Our Church is taking a place of leadership in this, and we hope for Conference-wide participation. The Christian Conference Committees are preparing for the Home and Family Life Week, and material will be coming out to all churches on this.

Also, the Field Committee is arranging for the coming of experts on this programme. Dr. Irma Highbaugh and Bishop Werner will be in our area within this Conference year. We recommend that we participate in an interdenominational training programme on Home and Family Life when these leaders come to us, and that Mrs. Culver and Mrs. Choto be assigned to promote this programme in our Conference.

We commend the St. Andrews Church for its activities in promoting race relations in its congregation. We look to the congregations and pastors of St. Andrews and Hill Top to lead our Conference in bringing all racial communities closer together in worship experiences and religious activities.

In the district where there has been public health work, the health workers have worked closely with the ministers and Rukwadzano. The emphasis has been to bring families and communities into the church centres, so that the peoples of the communities may be brought into a knowledge of Christ as their Saviour and as an example for their lives.

Women have been taught to sew, cook, knit, have a knowledge of child care, and how to have clean, sanitary homes, conducive to good health. Young girls have been taught how to get ready for marriage and also for the care of homes. Children have been taught to memorize Scripture, how to play together, and how to play games. In two or three places, a few men have been taught how to make stools and tables, and how to make mud or brick and lime smokeless stoves within the home. People are eager to learn and cooperate well. The need is for more workers who know how to build up ideals for good community planning.

The committee appointed Mr. Jasper Machiri to make a survey to find out how many members of Conference registered as voters since last year, and how many people they recruited for the vote. Ten members of Conference registered as voters, 6 were recruited, making a total of 14.

Sister Jones was asked to approach Dr. and Mrs. Horton to ask them to prepare materials for instruction about sex.

We recommend that suitable materials be purchased and placed in teachers' libraries, so that teachers will read the books and impart suitable information to the students.

Mr. Machiri was asked to write Mrs. Higgs to find out whether she has finished her booklet on the subject

of "Marriage Feasts and Related Customs". Miss Ball, E. Aeschliman, and Mrs. I. Mhlanga were asked to prepare materials if Mrs. Higgs has not already done so.

## 2. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL ACTION

Since Methodists have heard the Bible admonition that we should be "doers of the Word, and not hearers only", our Church has always believed that action must necessarily grow out of the words and teachings of Jesus. The social teachings of our Lord can always be traced back to their roots in His two familiar commands: "Whatsoever you would have others do to you, do so to them" and "Love your neighbour as yourself". When we take these two commands and apply them to our relations in Southern Rhodesia, we find ourselves confronted with these problems:

- a. The rights of individuals living together under a government that is not yet constituted by universal franchise.
- b. The extension of the vote towards universal franchise.
- c. The economic problems resulting from two communities living together whose standards of living have been very different and the problem of equalizing them.
- d. The best methods possible for educating large masses of people to good citizenship.
- e. The lack of real harmony and deep understanding between European and African members of our churches, especially in ways where segregation remains between them.
- f. The ever increasing grave social problems of alcohol, tobacco, and gambling.

We look for the position which the Methodist Church has taken on these problems and we find that these statements have been made and publically declared:

- a. "The Methodist Church must view the perplexing times and problems which we face today in the light of the teachings of Jesus. Jesus taught us to love our neighbours and seek justice for them. To be silent in the face of need, injustice, and exploitation is to deny him."
- b. "We believe that God is Father of all peoples and races, that Jesus Christ is His Son, that all men are brothers, and that man is of infinite worth as a child of God."
- c. "We believe that a Christian society is essential to the full nurture of a Christian person."
- d. "We believe that sin, both individual and social, stands under the judgment of God, and that the grace of God in Christ is available for redemption in all areas of life as we seek in penitence and obedience to do His holy will."
- e. "We believe that all persons have supreme value in the sight of God, and ought to be so regarded by us. We test all institutions and practices by their effect upon persons. Personality is oppressed in many parts of the world, and we seek its emancipation and those things which will enrich and redeem it. Since Jesus died for the redemp-

tion of human life, we believe we should live to help save man from sin, and from every influence which would harm or destroy him." (Discipline of the Methodist Church, Social Creed P.2020, Section 11- Our Theological Basis)

This committee, after considering the above problems and searching the position historically taken by the Methodist Church, recommends that this Conference adopt and put into immediate action the following:

- a. The establishment of small inter-racial groups for the study of mutual problems with a view to their solution.
- b. To extend our existing church organisations to include multi-racial fellowship.
- c. These groups would be asked to make a detailed examination of the following subjects in order to assist the church toward action:
  - (1) Present changes in liquor and gambling legislation.
  - (2) The extension of educational facilities so that there shall be equal opportunity for all irrespective of race or creed. It is our conviction that in a multiple society this of necessity means ultimately an integrated educational system, for any other seldom, if ever, provides equal opportunities for all. We recognize that such a goal can only be approached gradually and the initiative must come from pioneer ventures.
  - (3) The problem of wages. We believe that it is the duty of the country to move as rapidly as possible toward equal pay for equal work. But, we realize that such a goal can only be approached gradually.
  - (4) The participation of teachers in normal political activities: e.g. allowing them to stand for election or to support candidates whom they feel will translate their Christian ideals into social reality.

Recognizing the importance of individual responsibility to the local community and to the Government, we would ask the Conference to set aside the Sunday closest to Founder's Day, Sunday, July 12th, this year, as a special Sunday on which every Methodist church would have a service of worship given over to the theme "A Christian's responsibility to his community and government".

In this connection, we would ask our Press and Book Van to make available to as many of our pastors and laymen as possible literature on this subject. We would hope these would include such subjects as: 1) the responsibility of each person to register to vote as soon as possible, 2) instructions on how to vote and how to know for whom to vote, 3) becoming aware of social problems, 4) individual responsibility to government, being willing to assume the responsibility of local office, and being willing to assume financial responsibility to national government through the paying of taxes.

We commend the Southern Rhodesia Government on its recent actions toward removing the colour bar. We would wholeheartedly encourage the continuance of this policy



which would eventually make Partnership a reality.

We would reaffirm that we believe in equal opportunity for all people irrespective of race, nationality, or creed. We believe in free speech, free religious assembly, and a free press as essential to the free communication of ideas, and deplore any action which would weaken or negate these rights.

### 3. CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

Allowances for next Conference year will be as follows:

#### Ministers:

Philip Chieza	21-10-0
Benjamin Katsidzira	21-10-0
David Mandisodza	21-10-0
Zachariah Mukombiwa	17-10-0
Reginald Ngonyama	21-10-0
Mai Mary Maranke	15-0 -0
Mai Amos Kapenzi	12-0 -0
Mai Lydia Darikwa	16-2 -6

#### Approved Supply Pastors Relief Fund:

James Kaitano	6-0 -0
Daniel Chitenderu	6-0 -0
Thomas Kamusono	6-0 -0
Philemon Mazaiwana	6-0 -0
Paul Maviza	6-0 -0

Several names were presented for consideration, but the Board feels that before action is taken, District Superintendents or ministers of circuits where these men live should support their claims in a written statement. If such a statement is sent in before next Conference to the Treasurer, these cases will be considered.

### 4. DEACONESS

We now have one deaconess in service. We are very thankful for her, and also for one other who is now in training at the Old Untali Biblical Institute.

We suggest and recommend that Miss M. Ball take the charts on deaconess work from centre to centre, and that they be put on the bulletin boards of the Nurses' Training School, Teacher Training Schools, Secondary School, and any other places she thinks advisable.

We recommend that a memorial be sent to Central Conference, that a section on Deaconesses be added to the Methodist Discipline, Africa Edition.

### 5. EDUCATION

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

When the present Director of Religious Education took over last year there were 7 R.E. workers throughout the Conference. They have continued their work and have tackled with great enthusiasm what is a very hard job. They have huge areas to be covered by bicycle except when a car happens to be travel-

ling in the same direction, and they must work under very trying circumstances. But their reports show that they have carried on very well and have visited almost all their stations at least one time this year. Often, they have visited even quite distant stations three or four times. A recommended wage scale is to be presented to this Conference which, if adopted, will ease their financial setup. All the R.E. men conducted workers' institutes in their areas.

In January, three of the workers entered Old Umtali Biblical Institute for a two-year training course. While this has robbed the north country and the Nyakatsapa areas for the time being, yet we are confident that their training will, in the long run, more than make up for the loss of their services at this time. For a short time we had the services of one of the Ambassadors Quartet to fill in in the Mtoko area.

When the Women's Bible Schools or the Rural Team are in the various areas, the local R.E. worker joined in. In this way all but one of the seven had this experience. This has coordinated the work of bringing all the rural services together.

In October, the R.E. workers with others had an intensive refresher course at Old Umtali. Here they were given new insights into methods, as well as many new visual aid materials. They received training in developing and enlarging the materials they already had.

In accordance with a Conference recommendation last year, maps were prepared and sent to six rural schools with higher standards. Each school received a set of three maps. One for O.T. teaching, one for N.T. teaching, and one map of Palestine for teaching the life of Christ. Many sets of pictures and many program aids have been prepared and distributed, as have the M.Y.F. program materials for 1959.

To enlarge the R.E. program we need TRAINED workers from the Biblical Institute. We can find work for both men and women graduates, but candidates must be willing to have this training before entering upon their tasks.

Some of the mission centres have an extended Sunday School program reaching children otherwise neglected. Some materials were given to help these workers.

The first half of the Conference year, the Women's Bible Schools were carried on, conforming to the pattern of the past. Ten different schools were held. There were many different helpers in each school who carried forward the program. The Bible lessons were based on the material being used in American Women's Societies and consisted of a study of the Gospel According to St. Mark. This year the teaching will change to Isaiah to continue fellowship with the women of America. A close tie of fellowship is felt when it is known that all are studying the same lessons. New songs and choruses were introduced, dramatizations were worked out, one night was given over to a stimulating Bible Quiz, and other lessons were worked in such as Temperance, Stewardship, and Churchmanship. Clara Kadzuru continued her excellent work until her marriage. Although no one has yet been found to continue her work, she has laid foundations on which we can build.

In September, the Rural Team began their camping program co-ordinating the rural efforts of Bible, health, and agriculture. This co-ordinated program made a big impact on the communities where it was presented, some people realizing for the first time that a person's work was connected with his faith. It is the hope of the Rural Team to enlarge and promote this program greatly in the Conference year ahead. The three

programs of Bible, health, and agriculture will now be joined together. This does not forbid, however, the three from acting separately when time or circumstances permit. The Rural Team made their presentation in three communities last September, and after this Conference plans to go ahead with a full camping program this year. The Bible lessons will be the ones in Isaiah, the nutrition and agriculture programs will be as before.

During the rains this year, while the camping season was suspended, the director took a rural pastorate for four months as well as assisted in the training of the Ambassadors Quartet. A music institute was also held for them last August. It is hoped that more music may be added this year in the Rural Team program.

In October, a Rukwadzano leaders course was held at Old Umtali. It helped stimulate the leaders to greater efforts and gave them new ideas.

## SCHOOLS

Change of office bearers: Mr. Wakatama was elected chairman, replacing Mr. Griffin. Mr. Sadza was elected secretary, replacing Mr. Jambga.

### Business:

1. Applications to C.P., Secondary, and T.T. Schools:

Little, if any, attention has been paid to this resolution which stipulates that applications be accepted or sent only through headmasters, principals, or superintendents. Messrs. Machiri, Kapenzi, and Sadza were nominated to:

- a. Draft a circular in Shona and English which would be duplicated here at Conference, and copies distributed through the right authority when they depart. The circular is to reaffirm last year's decision.
- b. Draft a notice to be published through the Recorder by the Conference Secretary.

2. Promoting racial understanding and multi-racial harmony (Conf. Jnl, p. 271, item 1)

Mr. Wakatama said that a promising club was starting in Umtali. Other efforts were made at Nyadiri and at St. Andrews where a Wesleyan Guild was formed for women. The matter was dropped on the grounds that it belonged to the Christian Social Action Committee.

3. The stand of our Church in certain public issues (Page 271, item 2):

This is a matter for our Bishop, who makes such proclamations and publications at his discretion.

4. Standardisation of Std. 3 Examinations (Page 271, item 3):

After discussion at length it was agreed that despite the difficulties involved in procuring fairness throughout, the resolution should stand, and that efforts be made by superintendents to ensure fairness and a high standard.

5. Birth Certificates:

This important resolution had met with

little success because:

- a. Many african parents did not realize the importance of registering their children with the nurse or doctor within 4 weeks as required by Regulation.
- b. Many parents observed the custom of not naming the child until it was 2 weeks old. This meant leaving the hospital without a certificate, and possibly returning when it was too late to obtain one.

It was decided that a note of explanation, pointing out the above, be included on the circular mentioned in connection with applications.

6. Mtoko unaided schools:

Mr. O. Stine said there were 9 unaided schools in Mtoko District. Although the N.E.D. had once promised to put them on an aided basis, the last word on the matter was that they could no longer do so at once. Instead, one, or at the most two, schools would be aided per year until all were on an aided basis. Mr. Stine appealed for financial help for these schools. It was agreed that while financial assistance could be sought from the Field Committee, Mr. Stine, Mr. Eriksson, and the Bishop should continue to approach the N.E.D. officials for a revision of their proposed long-term policy.

7. Upper Primary Schools in Mtoko:

Mr. Stine was displeased about the distribution, as well as the listing, of priorities in connection with upper primary schools in Mtoko.

- a. Mtoko had fewer upper primary schools than other districts.
- b. The priority listing of schools in this area did not coincide with his ideas. After much discussion, Mr. Eriksson ferreted out some records which proved that N.E.D. had more or less acted according to our recommendations and priority listing. After a full discussion of the priority listings, it was realized that a thorough survey of our schools and a new overall development plan must be made.

Educational Survey and Planning Committee:

<u>(North)</u>	<u>(South)</u>
H. Griffin (Chm)	K. Eriksson (Chm)
J. Makawa	I. Jansen
M. Stine	M. Wakatama
M. Murphree	G. Otto
H. Anfinson	I. Musamba

K. Eriksson, General Chairman

8. Native Councils and Schools:

Mr. Murphree in a detailed an illuminating report showed how great difficulty had arisen in certain instances because Native Councils, Native Commissioners, District Superintendents, and School Councils had failed to work together, because each

did not know its limitations of authority. It was resolved that Mr. Murphree, Mr. Stine, Mr. Eriksson, and the Bishop approach N.A.D., N.E.D. authorities to determine the limitations of each.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS: COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1. We recommend that the Annual Conference continue thoroughly to evaluate the Government Scripture Syllabus and where it is considered inadequate, to make revision and alternate suggestions to Scripture teachers in Methodist schools. We further recommend that such revision should be initiated in our Bible Training Centre at Old Umtali, and the proper teaching techniques be developed by our Teacher Training Institutions at Mutambara, Old Umtali, and Nyadiri. The Committee also suggests that the Conference look forward to the development of our own Syllabus for Methodist Scripture classes.
2. We are pleased to see that more and more teachers are taking responsibilities in the Sunday School.
3. Three R.E. Workers are in training at O.U.B.I. We look forward to the time when an African Conference R.E. Director can be appointed.
4. Fourteen workers' Institutes were held throughout the Conference. Thirteen of them African, and one European.
5. We recommend that Sept. 27 be Sunday School Day in the Church Calendar followed by Christian Education week.
6. We remind our people of the ruling that non-Methodist teachers should not teach in our class meetings.
7. We recommend that special Sunday School lessons be prepared to guide teachers of kindergarten children.
8. We recommend that Adult, Junior, and Kindergarten Lessons be published in three separate books and that each S.S. Superintendent order the books for his church direct from the Press--paid for in advance--these to be ready by 3rd term. In the meantime, we recommend that churches use old lessons or contact Miss Russell for Junior lessons.
9. We recommend the following to write our lessons for 3rd term and next year:
  - Adult--R. Goodloe
  - Junior--E. Russell
  - Kindergarten--M. Fink
 The Press is to mimeograph the 3rd term lessons and to print the lessons for next year.
10. We recommend that R.E. workers enlarge their Institutes and include Bible studies and Methodist doctrines.
11. We refer the tobacco problem to the Temperance Committee.
12. We urge the District Superintendents to organize class meetings in addition to Scripture Classes for the pupils in all our schools.
13. We recommend that the report of the Conference Director of Religious Education be printed in the Conference Journal.

14. We submit the resolutions of the M.Y. F. Conference at Nyamuzuwe in January, 1959, deleting resolution 5.

#### M.Y.F. RESOLUTIONS

1. The M.Y.F. recommends that we revise and better our methods of winning more members and keeping them, without interfering with the rights of other churches.
2. We ask our R.E. workers to work in conjunction with Circuit presidents in soliciting funds and forwarding them to the M.Y.F. Treasurer, who shall forward them to the Conference M.Y. Treasurer.
3. We understand that the raising of M.Y.F. funds to advance its cause is a difficult problem, as the M.Y.F. is a voluntary organisation and conditions differ in different districts. We, therefore, resolve to investigate working methods of raising funds through cooperative willingness to give for M.Y.F. needs.
4. We recommend that M.Y.F. subscriptions and dues be the same in all districts to encourage our people to further the cause of M.Y.F.
5. We also recommend that parents cooperate with boys and girls during marriage arrangements by lowering the expenses of marriage--the expenses which are generally raised by traditional customs and practices which still prevail in many parts of our Conference, e.g. the demands of the many different relatives of the girl.
6. Most of the delegates who came to the Conference submitted their dues at M.Y.F. Conference held at Nyamuzuwe, Jan. 6-12, 1959. B23-19-1 was spent for maintenance of the Conference and for the travelling fees of officers and adult councilors. B45-18-0 is still cash on hand, and B11-5-6 is in the M.Y.F. savings bank book. The Conference recommended that all dues be sent to the Treasurer by registered post to guard against loss.

#### Officers for 1959:

President:	E. Makuniko
Vice-President:	N. Majora
Secretary:	Miss G. Nyamubaya
Treasurer:	B. Ruwede
Missionary Councilor:	Mrs. R. Goodloe
Co-Councilor:	Miss A. Petersen

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. We recommend that when teachers in service are appointed as boarding masters, boarding mistresses, and district superintendents of schools, the N.E.D. considers such time in these services as time in service for incremental purposes.
2. We recommend that since the N.E.D. is demanding higher qualifications for teachers, consideration should also be made by the Conference to have people with teaching qualifications and church interests appointed as District Superintendents of Schools, so that they will be able to give more academic help to both teachers and children.

## 6. EVANGELISM

- a. D. Chikosi was elected to take the place of Rev. Chimbadzwa as Secretary.
- b. J. Rugayo was elected to take the place of Rev. Chimbadzwa on the executive.
- c. We recommend that the religious census started last year be continued, and that where necessary those carrying it out have the assistance of their Superintendents and station chairmen.
- d. We recommend that the matter of an invitation to Dr. Denman of the General Board of Evangelism be pursued.
- e. We request the Secretary of the Board of Evangelism to continue the correspondence with Rev. Pereson in Johannesburg for further enquiries about the guidance of our Shona-speaking people there.
- f. We recommend that our pastors continue the work of camp meetings, laymen's evangelistic work and retreats, according to local situations.
- g. We express our appreciation to the Field Committee for their consideration of our budget, and trust that in future they will consider future increases if possible.
- h. We request that the Cabinet keep in mind the appointment of full-time evangelistic teams in our Conference.

## 7..FINANCE

- a. We emphasize again the necessity of a tithing membership if the church program is to go forward. We, therefore, recommend that all missionaries, ministers, teachers, and lay members of the Conference be asked to give their tithe through the local church budget, thereby helping to pay off the debit of the Conference assessments.
- b. We firmly believe that many church members are paying their dues to the various organisations and neglecting their first duty as one to the local church budget. Thus, we recommend that the leaders of these organisations refuse to accept the membership dues until the church offerings are first paid.
- c. We humbly request that the Wabvuwi, Rukwadzano, M.Y.F. and African Christian Convention contribute towards paying off the Conference assessments debt.
- d. It is felt that the lack of giving among our church members denotes a definite spiritual lapse. We strongly emphasize that each minister take this burden upon his heart and go forth to evangelize among his people.
- e. In order that the Conference Treasurer have ample time for closing his books before Conference, we recommend March 31 as the end of the fiscal year.
- f. We ask permission of the Conference to recommend that the B14-0-0 Sunday evening Communion offering be sent to the Madagascar Relief Fund.
- g. We suggest, that due to the high cost of the Journal publication in printed form, the daily mimeographed reports be carefully kept by each individual; corrected by the daily minutes, bound and accepted as the final copy of the

Journal. This action is recommended to be in effect as of this Conference.

- h. We ask the Conference to take our present financial difficulties into consideration when electing delegates to the General and Central Conferences.
- i. We recommend that all pension funds be kept in a separate set of books.
- j. We request the Field Committee to find money to cover certain items of last year: Sunnyside expenses £93-0-0; travel to Beira £16-5-3.
- k. We recommend that a loan be asked for to cover the deficit not met by other funds.
- l. We suggest that special emphasis be made towards collecting outstanding assessments for last year and for new assessments of this year.
- m. We suggest a committee composed of Messrs. Kinyon, Blomquist, Smalley, and Choto to function throughout the year, giving special guidance to the pastors and laymen on the raising of finances in the local church.
- n. We are sympathetic toward the needs of Rusape for a new African church, but cannot help now.
- o. It is regretted that our committee did not have time to go into the salary scale for R.E. and other Conference workers.
- p. We recommend that sections of the Finance Committee report as follows be mimeographed and handed out this Conference for distribution to each church, and that this sheet include also a detailed statement regarding Conference assessments and ministers' salaries: items a,b,c,d,l, m, Budget, and n (Read by Mrs. Stine Friday night but not printed) and, if adopted, the points herein enumerated.
- q. That each District be requested to hold a District Conference at which these issues be discussed in detail and at which machinery be set up to insure that all monies are correctly accounted for.
- r. That each Quarterly Conference be given the privilege of reducing the stipulated minimum of the quarterly offering to 2/-.
- s. That the Committee mentioned in item 7 of the Agriculture Committee report be empowered to formulate and present to Field Committee for approval a plan for the utilization of Muskwe farm as a profit-making enterprise subscribed to by the churches of the three northern Districts.

#### BUDGET 1959

Episcopal Fund	100-0-0
General Conf. Administration Fund	20-0-0
Annual Conf. Administration Fund	10-0-0
Central Conference Fund	400-0-0
Conference Journal	40-0-0
Conference Secretary	20-0-0
Conference Treasurer	10-0-0
Travel (no food) African Ministers and Supply Pastors	70-0-0
Salaries, African District Supts.	480-0-0
Travel, African District Supts.	120-0-0
Pension Funds from Churches	200-0-0
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## 8. LAY ACTIVITIES

## REPORT OF CONFERENCE LAY LEADER

I thank God who has made it possible for me to attend another Conference and to be able to give my first report as Conference Lay Leader.

It was not possible for me to go round the whole Conference, but through my right-hand man, Mr. Enoch Chieza, the Conference Director of Youth and Lay Activities, I was able to get a picture of Lay Activities in our Conference up to the time when he resigned. I would like to express my deep regret on his resignation. He was doing wonderful work in educating our people to a fuller understanding of the set-up and running of our Church. I am quite convinced that if Mr. Chieza had stayed on, he would have now almost succeeded in eradicating ignorance which is a handicap to the smooth running of the Church. I would like to request the Conference to consider appointing another person as Conference Director of Lay Activities.

During this last Conference year, although the Church did many good things, it failed to accomplish some of its obligations. Many ministers did not receive their full support. The District Supt. Car Fund is shockingly small. There has been little or no co-operation in all districts towards raising this fund. One car has so far been purchased, but not enough money has been raised to run it and so, it cannot be used.

I deplore the healthy support given to different organisations in the church by our members without a serious thought to supporting the church itself. I would like to call the attention of all our members and organisations to this unpleasant financial state of the Church, and let us work together like bees for the improvement and betterment of all aspects of church work.

## RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES

- a. The Board reiterates the recommendation of the ministers that the Conference build one common pool, in order to eliminate poverty in the Church--the pool to be built as follows:
  - Local Church
  - Circuit
  - District
  - Conference
 and that there be one local church treasurer, one circuit treasurer, one district treasurer, and one Conference treasurer.
- b. The Board recommends to the Conference that it reconsider the pension scheme of the African ministers. The present one has proved to be inadequate.
- c. We request that the local preachers take heed to their preaching appointments and that the matter be seriously considered by the respective quarterly conferences.
- d. We recommend that our churches make a thorough study of all the members following Mai Chaza, as to their loyalty to the Methodist and, if there is any indication that there is negligence in their duties to the Church and upon their

confession, that they be withdrawn from church until they bring themselves back.

- e. We recommend that the churches collect from the individual members who have not subscribed their six pence or more to the District Superintendents' car fund to do so on or before the 9th August, and see that the monies collected are in the hands of the Conference Treasurer, Rev. R.C. Gates, P.O. Box 444, Umtali, on or before the 23rd August.
- f. We are pleased to report that Miss I. Scovil has prepared a booklet on tithing which will soon be published.
- g. That Mr. Enoch Chieza continue the work of preparing a booklet on lay activities.

#### BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Messrs. J. Machiri (Chm), E. Chieza (Sec), Gwinyai, E. Makunike, J. Chipaumire, Kumalinga, W. Mandisodza, E. Munjoma, Rev. Eriksson, Miss M. Deyo.

#### 9. MEDICAL ACTIVITIES

- a. We wish to thank the Field Committee for allowing Nyadiri Orderlies Training School to take the class of 6 male orderlies this year, and we would like to request of Field Committee that training of a limited number of male nursing orderlies be accepted each year and suitable accommodations be provided.
- b. The following plan was proposed by Dr. Bennett Horton for the Washburn Memorial Hospital and presented to the medical staff at Nyadiri and to the Medical Activities Committee and accepted, to be presented to Conference:

#### A PROPOSED PLAN FOR THE WASHBURN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL Revised

April 1959

Whereas the overall aim of missions in Africa is the spread of Christianity in Africa and along with this the advancement of the African in other spheres that he may live his life to the fullest, and whereas it is my opinion that the philosophy should be a philosophy of training the African to run the hospital himself so that in the future he will be able to take full responsibility of running the hospital;

Whereas the recent actions of the African National Congress and reactions of the Government to these actions make uncertain, to some extent at least, the future position of the missionaries;

Whereas the world situation makes uncertain an assurance of peace and free international missionary activities;

Whereas the recent business recession in the U.S.A. does not give assurance to perpetual prosperity in the U.S.A. which would assure continued financial support of the missionary enterprise;

I propose the following plan:

1. That at the Southern Rhodesia Annual Conference of the Methodist Church 1959 the appointment of heads of all departments of the Washburn Memorial Hospital be filled with Africans where suitable people are available, and where they are not available that they be left "To be filled".
  2. That the missionaries assigned to the hospital be appointed to parallel positions, the name of which I leave to the Bishop's discretion (i.e. Co-head, Assistant Head, Advisor to the Head)
  3. That there be a gradual training and shift of responsibility to the African head and that this process be as rapid as possible and that the responsibility be as total as possible.
  4. That personnel be sought and/or trained to fill positions not now able to be filled (keeping hospital books is a job of this type. I do not feel that we have an African in our employ who is now trained enough to be given responsibility of the books). Of course, this seeking and training will be the hospital's responsibility.
  5. That the hospital staff be allowed to fill vacant appointments temporarily after consultation with the station chairman if medical staff deems advisable until the Bishop or his administrative assistant can make permanent appointments.
  6. That if the situation demands, the hospital staff be allowed to relieve temporarily a person of his appointment after consultation with the station chairman if medical staff deems advisable until the Bishop or his administrative assistant can review the situation. This liberty is a necessary corollary to the above if the hospital staff is to be able to shift a staff member into a vacancy or to shift a person into a more satisfactory position.
  7. That this plan be tried for one year and reviewed by the hospital staff and the Conference in 1960.
- c. In view of the fact that we are looking forward to establishing a full State Registered Nurse's Training at Nyadiri, we request approval of the Conference in the following:
1. To appoint a committee to study and make a report to Field Committee on all phases of the needs or costs in personnel and other finance for establishing this Course at Nyadiri. This should include the increase involved in maintenance of the School itself, Training School budget, and that of the African Registered Nurses, and Salaries in the Hospital necessary for this training programme, as well as missionary personnel.
  2. That permission be granted to the Hortons to promote the project in the U.S.A. to obtain the necessary financial support.

## 10. PUBLICATIONS

### a. Old Business

1. Joseph Book: This book which was approved at last Conference is in hand in English and will be translated by Miss Scovil.

2. We invite the Agricultural committee to use the Umbowo to get out information on agriculture to the people.
3. It was suggested that Rev. Choto prepare a book along the thought of "Ideals for Ernest Youth", writing it with M.Y.F. groups in mind; then submit the MS--about 12 chapters is suggested--to the Board of Publications.
4. Mr. Matzigkeit is to find out about copyright arrangements for "Ideals for Ernest Youth" and "Membership Manual of the Methodist Church for Teenagers".
5. We now have permission to reprint "How to Have a Happy Home". Translation has been done. The booklet is to be mimeographed--500 to 1000.
6. "KuChengeta Vana" MS is now ready for printing. It was decided that the printing of the booklet can be financed from literature funds.
7. 5000 copies of "Mabasa ye Misi Yese" and 5000 copies of "Upenyu Kwahwo Hupsva" have been printed during this past year and a booklet of scripture verses for each week of the year--"Zvibatsiro"--has been mimeographed.
8. Miss Scovil is to translate portions of Bishop Azariah's book, "Christian Giving".
9. The Board of Home Life and Christian Social Relations has been asked to work on a small booklet on the subject of wedding feasts and related customs as well as another leaflet giving sex instruction.
10. Rev. Stine has been asked to gather some materials on the subject of Holiness for publication.
11. The Commission on Worship and Music has been asked to work on "Ndwiyo Dzetwana"--a children's hymn book--and prepare copy to be submitted to the Board of Publications.
12. The General Rules for Church Members have been translated and mimeographed by Rev. S. Munjoma and Miss Scovil.
13. Rev. Culver has been writing a local preacher's book and has it about  $\frac{1}{2}$  finished.
14. The Conference Audio-Visual Committee is asked to consider the book-van as a way to put audio-visual materials to good use.
15. Regarding the bookstore for Sakubva, the Director of African Administration in Umtali reports that no European-owned trade is allowed inside the Sakubva township, but suggested that we try to find an African general dealer to handle books for us. Another possibility would be to establish a store in some section of Umtali.
16. Book-van: Because the van was being used for district school work during 1958, only four major trips were made that year for book sales. In January 1959, full-time operation began. The total sales through April 1959 were £227-3-3. About 15% would be profit. Total mileage expenses for 1959 were £117-2-6, including the trip to Conference. Including the 1958 trips, total mileage expenses were £135-2-1. There has been good demand for Bibles and Testaments. However, book sales of an educational nature head the list, with books for housewives also much wanted.
17. It was agreed either to print or to mimeograph "KuChengeta Vana", according to the discretion of Miss Scovil and the Press manager. The Medical Board reported that they estimate 1000

copies will be used in one year's time by all medical units.

18. We endorse the promotion of "Our Africa" among our people and suggest that the book-van carry it, but we do not favor inserting Umbowo inside "Our Africa" for combined circulation.
19. A small leaflet on tithing and another on prayer are almost ready for printing while two others, "Christ and Personality" and "What Methodists Believe" have just been printed and "Kuipa Kwe Doro" re-printed.

b. New Business

1. We recommend that the Field Committee accept the following arrangements for financing the printing of the hymn book:
  - £1000 to be loaned from the Literature Revolving Fund.
  - 900 to be paid in advance by District Supts. for books they will receive when printed.
  - 1000 balance to be paid from Press funds.
2. A letter from the Secretary for Africa in N.Y. indicates there are funds available for Christian Education Literature production. It was agreed that we ask for \$1000. A committee comprised of K. Choto, E. Matzigkeit, and M.E. Culver was delegated to work out a program including ministers' literature kits and colportage projects to present to the Field Committee and to Mr. Blake in N.Y. The ministers' literature kits would be designed to assist them when they call in homes.
  - b. We recommend a colportage training program to be held in connection with the O.U.B.I. and Pastors' School.
  - c. Motion was passed that the Executive of the Board of Publications look into the matter of a literacy campaign and draw upon the Laubach continuation funds.
3. Motion was passed that the Social Action Committee be asked to prepare copy in Shona and to make arrangements to finance the printing of the Social Creed.
4. African Christian Convention Report S3 and N4: A committee composed of Rev. M. Chiza, Rev. S. Chieza, and J. Kurewa was delegated to:
  - a. make a survey to find what the actual demand is for a Shona Discipline
  - b. to translate the Discipline into Shona if there is a sufficient demand, so that copy can be ready if funds should be made available for printing this.
  - c. We point out that there are no funds for this at the present.
5. We favour sending candidates to the Kitwe (N.R.) writing school which is being set up to give both missionaries and Africans a short term training in writing Christian literature more effectively. Those interested in this school may send their names either to R. Goodloe or E. Matzigkeit. The Executive of the Board of Publications was delegated to work on this project, to choose candidates, and to locate money for expenses.
6. A motion was passed that it would be wise to see what response there is to the English edition and to re-evaluate the need for reprinting

"Zvekudya Zvakanaka" in Shona.

7. Board of Temperance report, item 2: The Press Manager is to look into the problems of printing these temperance lessons and report to the Executive of the Board of Publications.
8. We feel that there is too little information to give a blanket endorsement to the request from Central Mission Press, Johannesburg, to be a project of the Central Conference. Therefore, a motion was passed that we request more information from Central Mission Press, and that the Executive of the Board of Publications be empowered to act when more information comes and to pass its recommendation on to a delegate going to the Central Conference so that the matter can be discussed there.
9. M.E. Culver outlined the plan of operation of the Book-van, as was visualized by the Field Committee as follows:
  - a. Truck to be a delivery van more than a sales van.
  - b. Books to be left on deposit at as many stores as would handle them.
  - c. The books and book shelves in each store are ours--we leave them there for the storekeeper to sell what he can. Not to be considered a credit arrangement.
  - d. Storekeeper to have a % of profit for selling, turning the money over for those he has sold to the van driver when he stops in to restock the shelves on his monthly or bi-monthly visit.
  - e. The driver to speak and preach in class meetings, churches, and as many other places as possible to persuade people to go to near-by stores to buy books.
  - f. The book-van project would take the losses.
  - g. Start out with Christian store owners, and ministers and teachers who would take the books to sell.
  - h. Book van to start by concentrating efforts on one small area or district.
  - i. Van driver should try to make the project pay as much of the expense as possible.

Books would also be for sale from the van. The Board of Publications accepted this plan of operation in principle. A motion was passed that the Executive of the Board and the director of the project and the distribution-driver of the van should work out detailed directives of operation. A motion was passed that the Field Committee be requested to put in another £500 for book stocks for the project as the January 1959 allotment for stock is too little to embark on the plan as outlined above. A motion was passed that the Executive of the Board and others whom the Executive wishes to invite are to work out various policies concerning the book van workers.

## 11. TEMPERANCE

- a. We ask the ministers and lay preachers to collect the Temperance Sunday money and ask that the ministers send it to the District Superintendent who shall forward it to the Temperance Secretary, Miss M. Ball at Old Umtali, for prizes for an essay or poster contest.

- b. That the temperance lessons written by the Conference Temperance Secretary be published in a booklet form with Scripture references.
- c. That both Europeans and Africans who are members of the Methodist Church fight against strong drink.
- d. We remind our ministers to read paragraph 125 of our Discipline to their congregations once a year as they read the General Rules.
- e. That the Audio-visual Committee investigate the possibility of films on temperance that can be distributed for use throughout the Conference.
- f. That headmasters arrange for a drawing or essay contest on temperance and request the local church to give prizes to the winners.
- g. We request the Medical Committee to prepare for distribution to church leaders a statement telling the harmful effects of tobacco to the body. We feel that this will help our people to understand why tobacco is evil.

## 12. THE MINISTRY

- a. We recommend that when students at Epworth Theological College take their appointments in January they be given the status of Approved Supply Pastors.
- b. We recommend that John Kurewa become an Approved Supply Pastor.
- c. That Geoffrey Kapenzi be admitted to Epworth Theological College in January 1960 and that he pursue his studies in that institution until arrangements are made for a scholarship for overseas study.
- d. We recommend that Basil Muzorewa be admitted to Epworth Theological College as a student for the ministry.
- e. That the Pastors' Refresher Course be set for the third term of the school year.
- f. That the library at O.U.B.I. be named "The Marshall J. Murphree Library".
- g. That an entrance examination be given to those entering O.U.B.I.
- h. That R. Goodloe obtain information from different schools that we might have this information for reference when we desire to send candidates overseas for theological studies.
- i. That R. Goodloe and K. Choto serve on the committee to approve the Local Preachers Course.
- j. That it go on record that we give our enthusiastic support to any proposed multi-denominational program that might develop in relation with Epworth Theological College.

## 13. TRUSTEES

### REPORT ON "SUNNYSIDE"

- a. The Board of Trustees at the last Annual Conference elected a sub-committee, comprising: R.C. Gates, J. Machiri, and J.S. Wreford, to supervise "Lisnacloon" Farm, known as "Sunnyside".
- b. This property has been kept in good order and condition and used for both African and European Conventions, Youth Camps, etc.
- c. The Homestead was used by the Conference for a month or two to house Mr. and Mrs. D. Shires, who were at the time helping out at Mutambara.



- d. It is felt that the amenities of this centre for Christian Conventions, Camps, Retreats, etc. is not yet sufficiently known. Will all delegates to Conference please take note and advise their Circuits of the availability of this centre.
- e. The members of the sub-committee consider that due to distance, they are unable to give this centre sufficient personal supervision, and have recommended to the Board of Trustees that the control henceforth be vested with the Chairman of Mutambara Mission. To this the Board has agreed, subject to the approval of the Conference.
- f. The cost of taking over this gift project, valued at £3000, has been considerable, survey and transfer fees amounting to £196-0-10. Income for the year amounted to £52-5-0 and Conference last year allocated £50 to this project. This latter amount has not become available, due to lack of finance in the Treasury. "Sunnyside" is, therefore, faced with a deficit of £143-15-10, and the Finance Committee has been advised accordingly. In the meantime, this liability has been paid by the Conference Treasurer from monies borrowed from another account.

#### 14..WORSHIP AND MUSIC

- a. Reference to item 1, page 267 (Worship and Music). A different children's song book has since been prepared by E. Russell. A committee made up of Mrs. Culver and Mrs. Kapenzi was appointed to work on the Tonic Solfa. After the approval of the book by the Board of Publications, the book will be handed to Miss Scovil for typing and mimeographing. We recommend that after the completion of the book, it be used in Junior Sunday Schools, Junior Churches, and other children's gatherings.
- b. Old Umtali Mission would like to propose a memorial to the late Rev. A. Kapenzi. The Old Umtali Executive suggests that the choir room of the Ehnes Memorial Church be named the Rev. A. Kapenzi Choir Room.
- c. We appreciate the offer given by Mrs. M. Culver to continue the work begun by Mrs. M.J. Murphree, in preparing tonic solfa copies of the hymns in our Ngoma.
- d. That the choir directors obtain from the preachers the numbers of the hymns to be used in any worship service some time during the week before the services, so that both the director and the choir may be prepared, thus improving the singing in our churches.
- e. That adults be urged to participate in church choirs, and that adult choirs be encouraged.
- f. Recognizing that music is deeply inherent in the soul of the African, and that at present there is no African conservatory or school of music in Rhodesia, the recommendation is made that a committee be appointed to get information from the Government regarding the possibilities and plans for the establishment of a school of music. The committee suggested is: Mr. G. Kapenzi, Mrs. M. Culver, and the Legal Representative of the Conference.
- g. To encourage oneness in our Methodist churches, we recommend that African and European churches exchange pastors and choirs for occasional services.



- h. We request all preachers to serve Holy Communion more often in their churches, monthly if possible.
- i. We recommend that the staff of O.U.B.I. be requested to arrange Music Institutes to train certain candidates from our districts, who will in turn organize Music Institutes in their respective districts.

## B. COMMITTEES

### 1. AGRICULTURE

- a. Land for Widows: To help solve the continuing problem of land for widows, we ask a special committee to be appointed, composed of W.D. personnel and R.R.W. representatives to determine if and how they can take up the offer of land for the use of widows at Nyadiri.
- b. Requests for lease changes at Nyakatsapa: It was moved that action regarding Nyakatsapa requests, relative to additional free time for "off-farm work" for cash, be deferred until the leathercraft home industry program opportunity has been presented on May 28 and explained to residents, as an alternative for greatly increasing their income. This deferred item can be dealt with in the next meeting of the sub-committee (see item c) at Nyakatsapa, if necessary.
- c. Incentives to better farming at Nyakatsapa: A sub-committee composed of the three missionary agriculturalists at Old Umtali and the minister at Nyakatsapa has been asked to sit with the farm committee of Nyakatsapa to consider putting into the lease incentives to better farming. This committee is empowered to make such proposals as may arise for changes in the lease directly to Field Committee. This sub-committee was also empowered by the Agriculture Committee to deal with all matters of terminating leases and entering into new leases.
- d. We request approval from Annual Conference for payment of travel of Conference Committee members (who are not members of Conference) to called meetings of such committees.
- e. The following statement regarding agriculture extension is offered to the Annual Conference:

#### Aims and Objectives of the Conference Agriculture Extension Program

The general, overall aim might be stated as:

Our aim is to help people to better their lives economically, physically, socially, and spiritually for the purpose of building the Kingdom of God as revealed by Jesus Christ.

The missionary agriculturalists feel that at present the emphasis of agricultural missions in our Conference should involve in addition to existing programs on-the-farm training in rural communities to promote abundant living with Christian motivations.

The students in our academic programs have little time and generally reduced interest in agriculture. There is an urgent need for increased production, consumption, and sales by farm families.

There is an increasing impatience among African farmers in this matter, due partly to the fact that land cannot be expanded either for individual families or for increasing numbers of families. There is an increasing urgency to relate stewardship of the earth and its products to the Christian Church and its ongoing programme. On-the-farm training should give quicker results in changing basic attitudes and the acceptance of better practices to bring about the abundant life, than by the training of academic students who most likely will not return to farm life.

In order to make sound gains in agricultural mission education, we wish to continue a policy of intensified effort out of one centre. This intensification is felt necessary in working with the Government in agricultural education. (This general proposal has the approval of the Department of Native Agriculture and promise to cooperate at all levels). Then too, by concentrating our personnel at one centre, the problem of obtaining continuity due to furloughs, sickness, etc. can be solved more easily than by having the basic programme spread over several stations.

It is not the purpose of this programme to duplicate the effort that is or can be done as well by others. For example, if a programme of custom work with farm machines is desirable, we would encourage private and cooperative ownership rather than mission operation or ownership. Neither would we duplicate Government efforts in teaching agricultural practices and improved community living nor would we work at cross purposes with them. The essential difference between what we strive for and what Government does is indicated in the latter part of the motto, "Produce for life and live for Christ".

Because of the possibilities offered by farm mechanisation, we want to include in our extension programme a thorough programme of testing agricultural machines, including small tractors, for their practicability under typical conditions. This must be done before any degree of mechanisation can be recommended.

The same is true of all agricultural practices, both for improved farming with oxen and in connection with a mechanised farming programme. We want to set up a plot at Old Umtali farm for preliminary testing of many agricultural practices by a missionary himself. To indicate how comprehensive the testing programme should become, the following list suggests what practices might be tested:

Crops: sub-soiling, mulch farming, drainage techniques, plant spacing, improved seeds, new crops (food, feed, cash), pasture improvement, soil testing, fertilizer types, rates, application, hydroponic gardening, disease and pest control

Livestock: housing for small livestock, fencing materials and construction, feeds management, disease and pest control, breeds and cross-breeding, fish farming

Use of Machinery for Farming

Other: hand-drilled boreholes, washing machines, stoves, saws for brush clearing and firewood,

different uses of mechanical power, farm planning and layout, better homes and sanitation, etc.

In addition, two or more African testing farmers will operate typically sized farms at Old Umtali for proof testing--using oxen and mechanisation--of the various practices which after experimentation the testing missionary considers recommending. It should be emphasized that it is folly to encourage farming practices not so tested under Southern Rhodesia African farming conditions.

To carry our work out to the farmer in African areas we would choose farmers whom we think could with supervision make good use of agriculture machinery purchased under our guidance. Any credit facilities, sales, and service would be provided by the manufacturer or dealer. We would also carry on an intense programme of education and supervision with agricultural missionaries and demonstrators working with farmers on their farms in purchase areas, reserves, and tenant farms depending largely on the aptitude and ability of the farmers. We would hold short courses on tractor operation and general farming practices. We would make more easily available livestock and plant nursery stock. We would disseminate printed information with the results of our experimentation, tests, and information from other sources.

Not overlooking other possibilities in agriculture, we would like to work with students in the O.U.B.I., thereby hoping to influence future rural church leadership and that they might have sympathy for and give help to our programme.

Points of possible cooperation with the Institute by part-time help from each of the three missionaries stationed at Old Umtali might include: lectures, discussions, practical experience, and demonstration on:

- a. Special Christian worship for planting, harvesting, and rural stewardship, i.e. the Lord's Acre (to be planned with the O.U.B.I. staff).
- b. Formation of cooperatives for financing, marketing, buying, breeding stock, seed supply, fencing, boreholes, dams and irrigation, work, machine use, etc.
- c. Bookkeeping
- d. Soil sampling (for tests)
- e. Orchard planting and care
- f. Observation of short courses and other dissemination methods--the result demonstration.
- g. Cottage industries
- h. etc.

We are not recommending reduced plans for the personnel in agriculture for Mutambara and Nyadiri. Rather, we request that these men be allowed more time for agricultural production and education at and around these stations. We would want to expand the agricultural work at both these centres when possible, taking into account personnel and other resources for the job.

- f. Coordinating Committee at Old Umtali on Agriculture Extension: We ask approval of a coordinating committee at Old Umtali composed as

following: Chairman--the missionary in charge of testing agricultural practices, the missionary farmer on the production unit, the extension agriculturalist, the African farm foreman, the two trained African agriculturalists who will assist in the program of extension and testing, the Principal of O.U.B.I., and one African staff member of the Institute (Rev. Choto is recommended for this membership)

g. Recommendations on Muskwe farm:

- 1) That a detailed explanatory statement about the Muskwe farm land problem be included in the Conference minutes. That this be done to guard against possible recriminations from Conference if any feeling might arise had disposal of the land been done without consulting all concerned.
- 2) That until at least next Conference we do nothing to precipitate the relinquishing of any right we may have to this land. This proposal can only be justified if we take definite steps to use the land well.
- 3) That a special committee composed of M.W. Murphree, H. Griffin, D. Sadza, and J. Kuture be appointed to study workable plans for use of the land. A report should be made at next Conference. This should include a motion for either utilizing Muskwe in a manner feasible to our resources and satisfactory to Government or failing this, a motion for letting the land go. It is essential that this committee act early in order that the Government may be assured of our good intentions.

h. Memorial to Central Conference: At a meeting of agricultural missionaries under the chairmanship of Bishop Booth in April this year, the Rhodesian Agricultural Committee was asked to send a memorial to Central Conference to this effect:

"An interim committee is named to work with Bishop Booth until such time as the Board of Agricultural and Industrial Activities of the African Central Conference can officially organize this function".

The interim committee chosen at that meeting were as follows:

Bishop Newell S. Booth, Chairman

Rev. Malcom J. McVeigh, Quessua, C.P. 9,  
Malange, Angola

Rev. Dean Freudenberger, Mission Methodist,  
Sandoa, sac prive Elisabethville, Congo Belge

Mr. Carrol French, Mission Methodist, Kapanga,  
sac prive Elisabethville, Congo Belge

Rev. Billy Starnes, B.P. 522, Elisabethville,  
Congo Belge

Mr. Ray Smalley, M.M.S.C., Mulungwishi, sac  
prive Elisabethville, Congo Belge

Mr. Wallace Kinyon, P.B.P. 24 Umtali, Southern Rhodesia

Mr. Don Collinson, M.M.C.C., Wembo Nyama, par  
Lusambo, Congo Belge

Billy Starnes was named secretary of this group.

## 2. AUDIT

The following books have been audited and found to be correct:

a. Umbowo	
Cash Balance	2-12-3
Accounts Receivable	217-17-11
b. Ngariende, Cash Balance	41-12-3
c. Rukwadzano, Cash Balance	1082-17-10
d. African Christian Convention	
North, Cash Balance	77- 3- $\frac{1}{2}$
e. Conference Treasurer, Cash	
Balance	33- 1-9

## Chikwizo Books:

A new set of books were started by the new Treasurer after the 1958 Conference because the previous set of books with a balance of 4-3-4 were not handed over to the new Treasurer.

The Cash Balance in the new set, 32-15-3, plus last year's balance of 4-3-4, makes a total balance of 36-18-7.

The balance shown in the new set of books, 32-15-3, is all in cash on hand.

## Chikwizo Building Books:

The books have been audited and all entries have been found to be correct. The books show a balance of 426-18-9. The Treasurer reports that part of this money is in the Savings Bank and part in cash on hand.

## African Christian Convention South:

The books were audited on June 4, 1958, and found to be in order. Cash Balance 104-12-5. (A. Muzorewa and E. Kinyon)

## M.Y.F.:

The books of the M.Y.F. were presented for audit on July 6, 1958. The last date the books had been audited by the Conference Audit Committee was December 28, 1956, showing a balance of 85-2-2. Four vouchers were found without signatures, totalling 26-17-6. Therefore, we cannot accept the balance of 63-18-8 from the 1957 Treasurer, the previous Treasurer, as being correct when books were turned over to the new Treasurer for 1957 and 1958.

The remaining records of receipts and paid out vouchers were checked and found to be in order with minor corrections. No statement of cash on hand was made, but 11-5-6 is held in Savings Account. Books show a balance of 45-5-3, so there should be 33-19-9 cash on hand in the cash box. (A. Muzorewa and E. Kinyon).

The present Treasurer's new set of books started in January, 1958, were audited and with minor corrections were found to be in order with 45-18-0 cash balance on hand.

The correct balance according to these two audits should be:

45-5-3	Present cash balance
33-19-9	Not turned in from 1957-58 Treasurer
26-17-6	Error in 1957 books
Actual Balance Should Be 106-5-0	

The following books were not brought to Conference audit:

African Christian Convention South  
Wabvuwi South  
Wabvuwi North  
Honde

Of these Wabvuwi North and South, and Honde were not brought for audit 1958.

#### Recommendations:

- a. We refer to the report of our committee at the last Conference which says:  
"We recommend that whenever books are handed to a new Treasurer, at least two members of the audit committee must be present, to see that all money is turned over according to the records."  
We want to reemphasize this action because a complete audit for two sets of books has not been possible this year as the ruling has not been followed. This ruling must now be followed.
- b. Because of the difficulties the Treasurers of the various Conference branches are facing in keeping proper records, we further recommend:  
That simple courses in bookkeeping be offered and included in the curriculum at O.U.B.I. and Epworth. A similar course should be included in Pastors' School.  
We recommend this because we do not find it fair to ask people to handle funds and keep records without giving some instruction.
- c. Recommendation no. 2 of last year's report should be changed to read as follows:  
"Every treasurer must have a special box to keep the money separate from other funds, and this box with the cash on hand must be brought with any savings account book at the time of audit".

### 3. CO-ORDINATING COUNCIL OF UMTALI

This committee has been active and has met several times during the year. So far, our meetings have been of an exploratory nature in an effort to discover what steps could be taken in order to bring about a real sense of unity in the work of the people who call themselves Methodist in Umtali.

We feel that there is a growing desire on the part of many of our people to come to know more about their neighbours in the work of other Methodist organisations in and around Umtali. We have, therefore, been searching for practical steps to make this desire a reality.

Some of the suggestions that have been discussed in these meetings are as follows:

- a. The possibility of electing laymen into important Boards and Committees supervising our Mission work, especially in our mission centres such as Old Umtali, which is so close to Umtali.
- b. The possible use of St. Andrews members in teaching in African work in Umtali.
- c. The interchange of groups. The example given was that of church choirs or solo-



our Annual Conference, with the hope that this will lead to further cooperation between our two groups. The Secretary is also asked to invite the Free Methodists to send a delegate.

- e. Inyati Celebration--last part of October:  
In view of the historic importance of the Inyati Celebration in October of this year, we make the following suggestions to underline its significance to our people and our country:

That a committee composed of W. Kinyon, B. Smalley, K. Eriksson, and M. Deyo be constituted and responsible for:

1. Preparing and presenting an exhibit on the Methodist work in S.R. at Inyati, with the possible cooperation of Synod.
  2. Representing our Church at the Celebration.
  3. Taking appropriate steps to see that the significance of this event is appreciated throughout our Church. To do this we would suggest the following possibilities: putting the date in the Church Calendar, putting material on the subject in M.Y.F. programmes, holding a joint service of celebration in the cities with other churches, preparing an article for Umbowo, preparing and distributing material to the pastors.
- f. It was noted that where it was necessary to make a distinction between the Conference and the Synod, the official legal designation of our Church in this country is "The Methodist Conference of Southern Rhodesia".
  - g. In view of the desirability of arranging plans together for the field work of the Theological College students and in sharing together experiences of worship, we request that Synod and Conference leaders in Salisbury and the College explore possibilities for joint services, exchange of preachers, and a common preaching plan or a "Larger Parish Plan". Following such exploration, we request that the Methodist Council discuss the suggestions that may be made.
  - h. We recommend that R.C. Gates and S. Chieza investigate the possibilities of attaching an evangelist to our church in Salisbury to work among the Sena-speaking people there.
  - i. We recommend that the churches of our Conference invite K. Choto to speak on the All-Africa Conference, with the understanding that his travel expenses be paid by the churches and that a free-will offering be taken for his work.
  - j. We recommend that W. Kinyon make representations to the Executive of the S.R. Christian Conference concerning distribution of surplus food shipments from the International Cooperation Agency.
  - k. We commend to the Conference the findings of the Southern Africa Regional Conference.



- e. S.R. Christian Conference: May 1960  
 Delegates: K. Eriksson, H.D. Griffin, V. Culver, B. Horton, S. Kowo, M. Murphree, K. Choto, M. Wakatama, I. Mhlanga

## 5. MATTERS OF DISCIPLINE

Two questions have been presented for interpretation and definition:

- a. The Principal at Old Umtali asks, "What is the rule regarding the disciplining of a teacher whose bride is already pregnant at the time of marriage?" The ruling requested is in regard to his teaching position.
- b. The other request is from the African Christian Convention (North) which requests "That all Superintendents of churches deal equally with any church member who commits adultery, regardless of the position which a member may have in our church".

We submit the following ruling and statement:

Any church member committing adultery must come under the discipline of the Quarterly Conference.

The disciplinary measure should include the loss of any office in the Church, including a teaching position, and the loss of status as a full member of the Church (but not necessarily excommunicated).

However, we wish to forward to the Conference and all Quarterly Conferences that our motive in disciplining members is "to get weak Christians deeper in rather than out". We would advocate that no soul be disciplined at the Quarterly Conference in which his name is first brought before the Conference, but at that time plans be made for the redemption of that individual. At the following Quarterly Conference disciplinary action be taken in keeping with the state of repentance and condition of the spiritual life of said individual. We further advocate periods of probation rather than excommunication for all who show signs of repentance. Length of probation is up to the Quarterly Conference. Furthermore, we emphasize that discipline is to help rather than hinder and the fellowship of the Church is always to be open to weak souls. Our Church no longer needs to think in terms of protecting itself against weak Christians--it now should consider itself spiritually able to carry weak souls in need of help.

Since we do not regard this as a disciplinary matter, it was recommended that item b, concerning the practice of the Rukwadzano examining the bride, be referred to the Executive of the R.R.W., as it is a matter dealing with their customs.

## 6. MEMOIRS

There were no deaths among the families of African or Missionary Ministers this year.

## 7. RESOLUTIONS

The long-awaited opening of Nyadiri's beautiful new church building gave the 1959 Conference a spirit of expectation and dedication.

God Himself seemed to speak to our fellowship, "Love one another, for love is of God".

To Nyadiri Mission we wish to express a heart-felt thanks for all that they have done for this Conference. We are glad that their staff has taken the initiative in serving all of us together in a joint dining room.

To each one who has helped with flower arrangements, music, teas, and other things, which added to our pleasure, we say thank you.

The Ambassadors Quartet has been a very inspirational factor of this Conference and we wish to give thanks to those who have helped them to prepare. We appreciated the programme which they presented to our Conference at the Bishop's Reception and we feel that they will be excellent representatives for us as they carry their message overseas.

We bid farewell to Miss King, Mrs. Jones, and Rev. and Mrs. Hassing who have given us faithful and loving service and we wish them a safe journey and many happy memories.

We appreciate the interest shown by Chief Nyajina and his sub chief in their presence at this Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant from the All Africa Church Conference and Mr. Booth from the British and Foreign Bible Society helped us to become aware of kindred Christian organisations.

Welcome Home to Bishop and Mrs. Booth, and we express our sincere gratitude for the inspirational and devotional messages which he has brought. The spiritual tone of the devotions was kept at a high level by our two Synod guests, Dr. Spivey and Rev. F. Rea.

We are thankful for the leadership of Bishop and Mrs. Dodge. Each of us will take away from this Conference new hope for our situation in a changing world. His message on the closing Sunday will challenge us throughout the year with the reminder that the Gospel of Christ is the most revolutionary message in the world; that the change which will take place must be by peaceful means; that the Church sometimes fosters violence by keeping still; and therefore she should speak on politics which will help to make a more Christian society in Rhodesia.

Our sincere thanks is extended to all those helpers behind the scene--especially the efficient office and secretarial workers.

## 8. STUDENT LOAN

We remind the people concerned that loans cover only boarding fees, not book fees, uniforms, etc.

The Treasurer's report shows that there is practically no money on hand. Therefore, we agreed not to grant any new loans until more money has come in.

Miss J. Pfaff offered to raise enough money so that those who were granted loans for the first term are guaranteed a loan also for the second term.

Students who have loans this year must be warned that loans for third term fees can be paid if people pay back loans.

A committee to find out addresses of those who owe the Student Loan consists of: J. Pfaff,

S. Aldrich, M. Wakatama, I. Jansen, G. Kapenzi, and I. Musamba.

Mr. Jansen was chosen as Chairman's assistant.

We recommend that July 26 be used as Student Loan Sunday. There should be an article in the Umbowo about Student Loan giving. Miss Otto and J. Machiri were nominated to write the article.

We remind the treasurer of Student Loan to send Student Loan money for purposes of fees to Principal and Head of girls' boardings.

Executive: E. Chieza, I. Jansen, G. Kapenzi, J. Pfaff (until L. Pfaff), S. Aldrich, and J. Machiri.

All money given to the Student Loan must go into the pool undesignated to specific names.

(April 20, 1959)

Receipts:

From Previous Conference Year	29- 1-4
Offering Last Conference, Gen'l a/c	7-19-6
Repayments by 11 Ex-Students	47-12-1
Gifts from Various Sources (Donors)	204- 2-1
	<u>288-15-1</u>

Expenditures:

Bank Cheque Book	1- 2-0
Looseleaf Ledger Binder and Paper	10-12-9
Stationery, Printing, and Travel	10- 3-3
Refund to Ex-Student	5-0
Loans to 28 Students	210-10-0
Excess of Receipts Above Expenditure	56- 2-1
	<u>288-15-1</u>

Liabilities:

Loan Account (114)	1426-10-1
General Account	36-12-0
Individual Credits--To Be Refunded	3-10-0
Designated Gift	15- 0-0
	<u>1481-12-1</u>

Assets:

Individual Loans (114)	1426-10-1
Cash in Bank	55-2-0
	<u>1481-12-1</u>

C. SOCIETIES

1. AFRICAN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION  
NORTH

The 30th session (7th of the Northern Section) of the African Christian Convention of the Methodist Church was held at Nyamutumbu in Mrewa District, in August 1958.

We were greatly honoured by the presence of Bishop Dodge who delivered an encouraging message and conducted the Holy Communion Service.

To the Annual Conference we request:

- a. That the Annual Conference continue on its programme of training Ministers and Evangelists though some local churches seem to have financial difficulties with the support of the present ministers.
- b. That a woman who remarries outside the Church by legal rites, then later repents, joins the church and desires to be received into R.R.W., be discussed in principle at the Central Conference.

- c. That the name "African Missionary Society (Ngariende)" remain in use, unchanged for the Chikwizo work, instead of replacing it with the name "Board of Missions".
- d. That the Discipline of the Methodist Church be translated into Shona even if it means an increase in Conference Assessments.
- e. That Junior Church work should be encouraged in our churches. That the Conference should consider the question of material, programme and Syllabuses or texts to be used in Junior Services.
- f. That all ministers in our Conference prohibit and discourage unnecessary tributes to them, or their wives, or R.R.W. leaders, made by a bride or bridegroom while dressing or preparing for the couple's wedding--except the known ten shillings.
- g. That all Superintendents of Churches deal equally with any church member who commits adultery, regardless of the position which a member may have in our church.
- h. That the children's Sunday School should have pictures that go with the lessons of the day. This will enable children to comprehend better, and also encourage them to attend.
- i. That the School Superintendents appoint Methodist Head Teachers to our schools, so that the teachers will be able to carry out the Methodist principles, and so that they may be appointed Local Lay Leaders of the Church, not as Head Stewards. This will cultivate cooperation between school and church at a station.
- j. So far as is possible, the Head Teachers should be experienced men of the Methodist Church, not fresh from school.
- k. The question of a second wife desiring to join the R.R.W. after her husband is dead must be taken to Central Conference.
- l. That the R.R.W. conform to their constitution, thus enabling any active full member of the church to become a full member of the R.R.W. if she desires.
- m. Officers: Rev. J. Kawadza (Chm), Rev. J. Chitombo (Vice-Chm), Mr. J. Muskwe (Sec), Mr. W. Buwu (Vice-Sec), Rev. W. Mandisodza (Treas), and Mr. W. Marima and Mr. J. Makande (Committee Members).

#### SOUTH

After a long discussion on the change of the word "Ngariende" to "Board of Missions", we agreed that the change wait until a later date.

We urge our ministers to follow the church Discipline, that all the Lay Officers be voted upon yearly. The last quarterly meeting of the year is the suitable time for this vote.

We request the Conference to have more rituals printed, and include the General Rules.

We urge our circuits to work hard and improve in their giving to the Church, so that our ministers and evangelists receive their salaries monthly.

Instead of buying motor cycles for our ministers, let us think more about their salaries.

Since the Education Department is demanding higher qualifications for teachers, consideration should also be made by Conference to have people with teaching qualifications and church interests appointed as District Superintendents of Schools, so that they will be able to give more academic help to both teachers and children, than that which is being given now.

The following are appointed as a committee to speak with Bishop about Pensions for church lay workers: J. Machiri, I. Musamba, E. Chieza, J. Chidzikwe.

We want Head Teachers of good character regardless of their denominations.

In the places where school books are sold, the books of Christian Literature should also be sold.

Beginning today, we emphasize the "6d" from each member for the Christian Convention, and that the delegates plus the circuit members bear in mind that they have the responsibility for collection.

We request the committee on Conference Programme to have the Christian Convention items read first at every Annual Conference.

At sessions of every Christian Convention a lecture should be given on "What is the Christian Convention?"

We request that all the local churches send a delegate to the Christian Convention.

After 30th June every year no items will be received for discussion at the Christian Convention.

Officers: S.W. Munjoma (Chm), S. Kasambira (Vice-Chm), E.N. Matongo (Sec), E.P. Chieza (Vice-Sec), M.P. Mparutsa (Treas). J. Machiri, R.M. Chieza, and J. Chinono (Committee Members). P. Hassing and V. Otto (Advisory Members).

## 2. AFRICAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY (NGARIENDE)

The work of the Church at Chikwizo is growing. Many people are coming to church. During the year we received a good number of people as full members and probationers of the Church.

To show you friends how the Devil is still ruling many of our people in Chikwizo, I will tell you of something happening to one of our neighbouring families. Our Mistress was telling me that she has trouble with the names of the boys of this family. This is what happened. A baby boy was born into this family and became sick. The parents took the baby to the witchdoctor and were told that the reason of the sickness was the dead uncle desiring the boy to be named after him. The uncle's name was Nyanduwa. This they did and named the little boy Nyanduwa. Another baby boy was born and the same thing happened. They took him to the witchdoctor only to hear the same thing said. They obeyed and called him Nyanduwa. A third son was born and

the same thing happened, so we have three boys with one name.

Brethren, these people need our help. The work of the school is going on very well. We hope this coming term we shall have all trained teachers in our school. It is a school of four teachers. We are very happy about this.

Before I tell you anything about the clinic I will tell you a little story. One day I visited a witchdoctor and saw a patient there who had spent three months receiving treatment. The sickness was failure to get a boy to marry her, so she was drinking all sorts of dirty things to be cured. After some time I visited the witchdoctor again and she told me that her patient had succeeded in getting a boy to marry her and that the Lobola was to be presented to her first. Of course, you know what she will do. She will certainly take her share of that Lobola.

The work of the clinic is challenging these witchdoctors. Many people are coming to the clinic now. One day we saw a gathering of nearly sixty people waiting for our doctor and sister from Nyadiri Mission. Before the people were examined, a short prayer service was conducted. As you have seen from pictures, our clinic is now completed and ready for dedication.

The water tank is already fixed by the school building and we have some water in it already. It holds 2500 gallons of water.

The teachers' and nurses' house is ready for roofing now. Our people in Chikwizo have made and burned many bricks for the work. We thank the Chief and his people for their great cooperation in the work.

We appreciate greatly the work done by the R.R.W. It is because of the funds which we were given by the group of devoted Christians that we were able to build the clinic, buy a big water tank, and build a teachers' and nurses' house. May God bless them for their good work.

During the year we have received special gifts for the work in Chikwizo from: Mr. Hokonya of Mrewa, Mr. Kanoyangwa of Mtoko, Nyamuzuwe Junior Church and Kariba Church. Mr. Mayibaya of Nyadiri helped greatly by transporting free a load of timber and asbestos. He also helped by carting bricks.

We thank the Lord for all this kindness shown by these men, women, boys, and girls. May this spirit of giving grow among our people. We are looking forward to a happy and prosperous year. Remember us in your prayers. MAY GOD BLESS US ALL.

### 3. METHODIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

No report was received this year.

### 4. RUKWADZANO RWE WADZIMAI

Annual Executive Meeting: The R.R.W. held their first joint (North and South) executive meeting at Muziti, April 23-24. This meeting was attended by 64 delegates. We were happy

to have with us some of our ministers, Mrs. Ralph Dodge, Mrs. Stine, Mrs. Griffin, and Mrs. Culver. It was an historic meeting since this was the first time the two sections of R.R.W. had met together.

At the Executive the following committee was appointed to revise and bring up to date the Constitution of the R.R.W.: Mesdames E. Jangano, S. Chieza, M. Culver, P. Nyamukapa, T. Maranke, and Ndumiyana.

The following recommendations were made for inclusion in the Constitution, subject to the approval of Conference:

- a. No. 4 of the Constitution under Membership should have "and all older girls" added, so that it reads "All women and older girls who are full members of the Methodist Church may be received as members of the Rukwadzano".
- b. A further addition is made to read "One not married in the Christian faith will not be received as a full member of the R.R.W."
- c. No. 5 of the Constitution under Dues should be revised to read "The annual dues for full members of the R.R.W. are 2/6. The annual dues for probationers of R.R.W. are 1/6".
- d. Under no. 4 relating to the wearing of the badge, this addition is made "It is not necessary for a Rukwadzano member to wear her uniform when visiting the sick or greeting strangers."
- e. The following addition is made to the Constitution "Any girl or woman who has conceived and now wishes to have a church ceremony should not wear the veil or crown."
- f. Under no. 1 of the Laws of the Constitution, these words should be added "She should see that her children are adequately dressed at all times."
- g. Under no. 10 of the Laws should be included "All members of the Rukwadzano are expected to attend faithfully the Sunday services, as well as the weekday services, and to take active responsibility in the work of the Church, and to pay all dues promptly."
- h. We wish to include a paragraph from the Discipline of The Methodist Church, Africa Edition, Article 167, no. 2. "The purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service shall be to unite all the women and girls of the Church in Christian living and service".

The motto of the Rukwadzano Rwe Wadzimai is "TO SERVE CHRIST AND OTHERS". This year we have tried to do this by serving the local church and our missionary programme.

The Rukwadzano helped provide for many of the local needs through service, love, and monetary gifts.

The Rukwadzano were happy to help the missionary programme of the Church by building at Chikwizo a water tank, a lady teachers' house, and a clinic, through the contribution of a gift amounting to £990. In addition, the R.R.W. have pledged this year £400 for a residence at Chikwizo.

We thank God for the opportunity to serve Christ and others.

## CHANGES MADE IN THE RUKWADZANO REPORT

- Item b: Referring to this item of revision of the R.R.W. report, we wish to call the attention of Conference to the report of the Board of Lay Activities in last year's Journal, page 274, item 3. It was passed by Conference that a woman must have had a Christian marriage in order to be received in full. Therefore, this item b in this R.R.W. report is only a fulfillment of that previous vote, making the recommended revision in the handbook.
- Item d: This has been reworded to read "It is customary when appropriate, but not a law, to wear the uniform when visiting the sick".
- Item e: We acknowledge that this is not to be a rule within the R.R.W. handbook. Therefore, we wish to remove it from the list of revisions and include it in our report as the following request--"We request that the Conference make clear the position of the Church regarding the wearing of the veil by one who is already pregnant."

## 5. WABVUWI

## SOUTHERN

The fourth Fishermen's Annual Assembly of the Methodist Church met at Nhedziwa in Mutambara Reserve, on Thursday, July 10, to Sunday, July 13, 1958, with the Chairman, Mr. F. Chipaumire, presiding. There were approximately 2,499 people, men and women. The presence of God was felt by the whole Convention, as many went home witnessing "We were saved." There were many people giving testimony of being saved, but there were two backsliders who gave their lives to Christ--one from Inyanga and the other from Bulawayo.

Our official speakers were arranged as usual, two circuits to preach at the same time. Also we had Mr. E. Chieza, who was given time to speak to the group of Wabvuwi only, trying to explain the meaning of Ubvuwi in the Church, and the work they should do. At this time people were divided into groups, so as to give each one a chance of expressing himself to God, or give his or her life to Christ. The reports from the groups were very encouraging.

We were honoured by the presence of Chief Mutambara who, after his introduction, spoke to the people expressing his gratitude for the work done in his Reserve. Besides him we also had Chief Gandanzara, who spoke on behalf of all Chiefs. He said "If all the Chiefs of Africa could be converted, the whole of the Africans could be saved."

On Sunday, the District Superintendent, Rev. Eriksson, and twelve other pastors, served the whole Convention with Holy Communion, and 1336 took the Sacrament.

Our chief aim is to serve others, and to win them to Christ. We do this in several different ways. Here are some of the reports



from some of our circuits, and the work they have done:

Umtali Circuit:

During December at Christmas time we helped the orphans with the sum of thirty-five shillings for Christmas presents. We helped some of the sick people in Hospital and in homes. We visited the backsliders, and we won two.

Zimunya South:

We helped our Chairman, Mr. A. Mafute, whose house was burned to ashes, with the sum of three pounds five pence. Mr. Mufute reported he had collected the sum of seven pounds, ten shilling. Chakohwa, Zimunya North, Umtali and many others helped him.

Old Umtali:

We helped one woman during the death of her son with the sum of four pounds fifteen shillings. We helped the orphans with eggs, pumpkins and vegetables, and some with money; and we visited the sick and backsliders.

THIS IS THE AIM OF WABVUWI.

Officers: F. Chipaumire (Pres), S. Nyamana (Vice-Pres), R. Chitakatira (Sec), C. Zisengwe (Vice-Sec), M. Chirimani (Treas), J. Machiri (Advisor). P.K. Mudiwa, P. Chigudu, and Mandisekwe (Committee Members).

NORTHERN

The work of Wabvuwi is going on fairly well. Since the Annual Meeting which was held on September 18-21, 1958, we are doing our part as fishers of men. Many souls were helped and brought to Christ.

Mrewa East: Our member who was the treasurer of the circuit died on the 4th of December, 1958. Friends gave much help and also gave 8/9 in buying the necessary things. On December 14, 1958, at a meeting eight souls were won for Christ. There is a great need for wider work and a strong revival to be done by Circuit Chairmen.

Mrewa West: We have helped a friend with 1-6-0 who was stricken by lightning. We are also sorry because one of our members died at Kambarami. We as Wabvuwi went to help his family by weeding the fields. Our funds are going on well.

D. REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER  
FROM MAY 1, 1958 TO APRIL 20, 1959

RECEIPTS:

Conference Assessments	219-13-6
Conference Journal, from DWM and WDCS	42- 3-6
Conference Offering for Piano and Music	10- 6-3
Interest on Government Stocks to Ministers' Pension Fund	127- 8-9
Motor Cars for African District Superintendents	22- 3-4
Pension Funds from Ministers	35- 0-0
Pension Funds (From Board of Pensions, Chicago, U.S.A.)	21- 1-3
Pension Funds from Methodist Publishing House	116-13-4
Pension Funds (Gift)	13-13-7
Salisbury, Assistant Pastor's Salary and Moving Expenses--From Field Committee	108- 0-0
R.R.W. (N.&S.), On Salary of Secretary of Conference Lay Activities	15- 0-0

Sunnyside Property, from Sale of Furniture and Rent	52- 5-0
Student Loan Fund Adjustment	5-0
Supply Pastors' Relief Fund, from Bulawayo Church	1- 0-0
Taylor, Mr. Charles F.--Tombstone Funds from Dr. Alan Taylor	55- 9-6
Temporary Loan from Marange District	250- 0-0
	<u>1090- 3-0</u>
Excess of Expenditures Above Receipts	604-14-7
	<u>1694-17-7</u>

## EXPENDITURES:

Administration Fund of the General Conf.	20- 0-0
Conference Secretary's Expenses	21-12-0
Conference Treasurer's Expenses	2-12-0
Episcopal Fund	100- 0-0
Food, African Members of Field Committee	5- 4-0
Moving and Salary, Asst. Pastor, Salisbury	75-15-0
Pensions, From Ministers Pension Fund	150- 7-6
Philip Chieza	21-10-0
Benjamin Katsidzira	21-10-0
David Mandisodza	21-10-0
Zachariah Mukombiwa	17-10-0
Reginald Ngonyama	21-10-0
Mrs. Lydia Darikwa	16- 2-6
Mrs. Harubvi Kapenzi	12- 0-0
Mrs. Thomas Marange	18-15-0
Pensions, From Accepted Supply Pastors Relief Fund	18- 0-0
Daniel Chitenderu	6- 0-0
Thomas Kamusono	6- 0-0
James Kaitano	6- 0-0
Rent and Transport on Piano, 1958 Conf.	8-17-6
Salaries, Two African Dist. Supts.	480- 0-0
Secretary for Lay Activities, Salary	90- 0-0
Sec. for Lay Activities, Travel	68-16-0
Sec. for Lay Activities, Office Expenses	10- 0-0
Sec. for Lay Activities, Unusued Salary Returned to Field Committee	121-19-6
Student Loan Funds Transferred	29- 6-4
Sunnyside Property, Mutambara, Survey and Transfer Fees	196- 0-10
Taylor, Charles F. Tombstone	60-17-0
Travel to Committee Meeting	1- 0-0
Travel to Beira, Evangelical Alliance 2 Years	16- 5-3
Travel to Synod, Bulawayo, 2 Delegates	14-15-9
Travel and Food, African Ministers, 1958 Conference	83- 8-11
Travel, Two African Dist. Supts.	120- 0-0
	<u>1694-17-7</u>

## LIABILITIES:

Accepted Supply Pastors Relief Fund	515-11-2
Annual Conference Administration	228- 7-9
Central Conference Fund	10- 0-0
Conference Board of Education	20-18-0
Rev. C. Faku's Tombstone	43-14-1
Conference Journal	114-10-0
Ministers Pension Funds	7967- 1-6
Motor Cars, African Dist. Supts.	22- 3-4
Salisbury, Salary Asst. Pastor	14-15-0
	<u>8937- 0-10</u>

## ASSETS:

Board of Pensions, Chicago	600-0-0
Cash	33-1-9
Conference Assessments	665-15-9
Government Stocks	4039-0-0
Postal Savings Certificates	3450-0-0
Sunnyside Property	143-15-10
Taylor, Charles F. Tombstone	5-7-6
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## E. COMPOSITE REPORT OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

"Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits". In reading the reports of the various units, one is filled with humility, with praise, and with gratitude to God for the many Christian people who have carried on in fruitful labour, often in unknown ways and generally without appreciation in day-to-day service in what may appear to be commonplace routine, all a service in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We express sincere gratitude to Bishop Dodge for his episcopal leadership, to our ministers, teachers, nurses, doctors, printers, and all others who have given loving and dedicated service through the year.

We are in a period of construction of buildings throughout the Conference. Nearly every District speaks of the many new churches, school buildings and teachers' houses going up in the Centres and Reserves. We need to remember that the local people provide nearly all the money and labour for the buildings constructed in the Reserves.

Nyamuzuwe reports 64 girls in boarding, an increase of 12 over last year. The District schools have been improved, but at Mtoko the problems are increasing. Late in 1958 we were given reason to believe that the Education Department would put these schools on an aided basis in 1959. Since then we have been told they may aid them one at a time beginning in 1960. If this is true, some of these unaided schools will have to close.

In September, Bishop Dodge dedicated the new church at Kowo, but this is the only substantial church building in the Mtoko District.

When one considers that our Church has only about 700 full members in the Mtoko District out of a population of approximately 60,000 it is cause for grave concern. We have been working in the Mtoko District for 47 years. It is still the frontier of our Conference, an evangelistic challenge that must not go unheeded. "Let us go forth into the fields that are white unto the harvest."

Frequent change of leadership personnel has marked the year at Mrewa, yet progress has been made. School enrolment in the villages is about the same as last year. The percentage of trained teachers has risen from 25% to 30%. Mtise is in the lead in building, with a school of three classrooms and two offices.

The Superintendent of the Mrewa-Nyadiri District reports fruitful revival meetings and says, "We thank God for Christian friends overseas for their help in erecting our church buildings at Nyadiri and Salisbury."

Epworth Theological College was opened in January. There are fifteen students and a staff of four.

At Nyadiri Centre this year the major accomplishment has been to complete our new O'Farrell Methodist Church to the stage that it may be used as the worship centre of our mission. This need of over forty years is finally

to be fulfilled with the opening at this session of the Annual Conference. Working together, the local congregation, missionaries, and overseas donors have all laboured to make this possible.

At the boys' boarding department, a new dormitory housing 62 boys has been completed and fully equipped. A new dining room accommodating 120 boys has been built and put into service, in addition to the old dining room together with the new fully equipped kitchen built this year, and improved bathing and cleaning facilities, the boarding conditions of the 240 boys are much improved and when buildings now planned for are completed, we shall be able to meet the demands of the Government and the desires of the mission.

At the schools area, new sanitary facilities for the boys, sorely needed for many years, have been completed. Central Primary School has been repainted in part; the new classroom building for Lower Primary School has been completed and put into use. The landscaping of the school grounds has given this area of the mission a "new face".

At Washburn Memorial Hospital, the services are greatly expanding, and a larger community is taking advantage of our healing ministry. The new kitchen and laundry are nearly completed, housed in the old hospital building; these will increase the ability of the hospital to serve a greater number of people in a better way.

The large tuberculosis unit of the hospital is more than half completed and will soon be ministering to this drastic health problem. The Nursing Orderlies Training School has this year accepted six male orderly trainees as a new venture in attempting to give a wider service to our church areas. Plans are being made for the eventual training of fully qualified registered nurses.

The installation of two additional large generators of electricity will improve our mission power and lighting facilities as soon as a new transmission line is erected.

All of this physical improvement on the mission has only been possible because the spiritual service of our people has been at a very high level. All times the staff members of the mission departments, together with all members of the congregation, have given their fullest cooperation for this development. Working as a team, the work of Christ goes forward.

The ministry of the hospital chaplain has been very effective and very well conducted. Regular daily services, in the chapel and in the wards, have sent the Gospel message back to many villages through the lips of those who can witness saying "I felt His healing hand touch me".

Our station pastor, though troubled by physical ailments, has given a very effective ministry to the station congregation and the student body. We regret that on account of illness he is unable to be in our Conference session. He has laboured in helping to bring our church to its present state of completion.

In the Mtasa-Makoni District, the Rukwadzano, Wabuwuwi, and M.Y.F. have given excellent witness. These Methodist groups have won many to Christ, not only by preaching the Gospel to the people but by going among the people and talking to them about our Saviour Jesus Christ they have helped much by bringing wood to the needy and to those in hospitals.

The ministers of Mutasa-Makoni District had difficulty this year at Sherukuru in the Gandanzara Circuit. Some of our Methodist members were growing tobacco. The minister talked to them about it and some of them decided not to grow it any more, but some are still thinking it is a good thing to grow tobacco for the money it brings in.

Also, there is a difficulty in the Conference about Mai Chaza's movement. The Methodist members who go to Mai Chaza and leave their own churches on Sunday are doing much harm among our people.

At Mutambara the District Superintendent reports: "O God, how great Thou art" has become the theme song, for during the past Conference year God has done great and marvellous things.

His help has been manifested in the expanding Teacher Training program, and now a beautiful new building improves the campus. Soon the classes will move into the new quarters, and a library and utility block will also be added. Sixty-one students are now enrolled in the two classes and there are three full-time teachers. Plans are already underway for the landscaping.

New school buildings have also been erected in Mutambara District and the percentage of trained teachers is nearing 60. It is hoped that one more Upper Primary School may be added next year in the outstations.

The farm work as last year has been successful, but the water situation has impeded certain projects. Due to the lining of the furrow there has been serious stoppage of the water for irrigation, building and household needs.

God's greatness and sufficiency have been evident in the medical work and the thousands treated in the clinics continue to be a great ministry. A very lovely home for nurses has been completed this year and the nurses are enjoying their new dormitory.

Special Easter week services were conducted by Rev. Per Hassing and Mr. J. Makuto. The meetings were a great blessing to all.

Each local church has been visited for Quarterly Meetings. A marked increase in attendance and in the partaking of the Lord's Supper has been shown. Two new church buildings and two new parsonages are almost complete. Yes, God has been good, and His love great toward us.

Old Umtali Centre reports that there have been four first events:

1. With the appointment of Mr. S. Tsopotsa as Acting Headmaster of the Secondary School, we now have all of our regular educational program under African headmasters.
2. We shall have our first graduates from Form IV this year.
3. We shall have our first graduates from the Higher Teacher Training this year.
4. We have begun our first lay-training school for full-time lay workers in the Old Umtali Biblical Institute. Fifteen students have enrolled taking courses as evangelists, assistant pastors, religious education workers, and Deaconesses. Nine wives are also receiving a course of instruction in church work. Extension services to the churches of the Conference and Synod have already begun and will be a permanent feature of the school. Refresher courses for those in service will also be held at the school. This joint project of Synod and Conference has started with a high spirit of good cooperation and en-

thusiasm in the student body and staff.

The major building accomplishments are staff housing and science laboratory for the Secondary School, and a new missionary residence.

The outreach of the Church to farmers on their land has grown this year through a program of extension aimed primarily toward rural areas near to Old Umtali. Farmers on tenant lands of the mission are training for the Master Farmer Certificate. We are cooperating with the Government on a combination study and teaching program at Nyakatsapa to relate food production and good diet. Members of nearby rural churches in the reserves are expressing active interest in a program of teaching the planting of improved fruit trees and keeping better livestock, both of which are being made available at Old Umtali Farm.

At the Christian Centre in Sakubva there has been an increase in the number of the Guides, Scouts, Cubs and Brownies. There has been less home visiting and hospital visiting because of the loss of some of our staff. Since January there has been an additional young woman on the staff leading children's activities. Women's groups, men's groups and congregational gatherings are still important functions of the Christian Centre.

At the African Girls' Hostel the girls on the whole show a very fine attitude of cooperation and interest in the welfare of the Hostel. A group of Indians visited the place at Christmas time. After their visit they presented the Hostel with a beautiful copper vase with set-in stones from Tibet. When it comes to spiritual matters, we are glad to see the concern for others which reveals itself through a keen prayer life. The missionary in charge asked one of the girls who had been deeply absorbed in prayer, "What is your trouble?" The girl answered that both her employer and his wife were ill and it greatly troubled her. Along with the group of strong characters, there are some who go astray. We hope that these may be helped and that the Hostel girls will continue to grow into women of strong Christian character.

St. Andrews Church reports that in several ways this has been a good year. We have taken into full membership in the Church 35 persons. Five of these were by transfer and 30 by profession of faith. Our total budget amounted to £2274-4-9, out of which £817-5-0 was applied on indebtedness. Our average Sunday School attendance has been about 150 per Sunday with an average Church attendance of about 150. The 16 weekly Methodist Scripture classes in Umtali now include about 425 Methodist boys and girls.

The afternoon group of the Women's Association has met regularly twice a month and supported the Church with their activities. A new evening group of the W.A. has been formed with 14 new members. It is called the Wesleyan Service Guild. Up to date there is no corresponding program for men in the Church.

A Youth Choir has been organised to supplement the services rendered by the Senior Choir.

A regular part of the preaching schedule of St. Andrews includes two monthly services at Rusape and monthly services at the Vumba Children's Convalescent Home and the Eagle Boys' School in the Vumba. In order to make this possible, several missionaries and local preachers have willingly given of their time and service.

In Marange District seven churches are in various stages of construction. Five new school buildings are being erected. This District is infested with many small sects, some of whom criticize the Methodist Church yet are glad to send their children to our schools. The M.Y.F. has had a flourishing year. Giving of money to support the pastors is not what it should be and it lacks the joy that ought to characterise Christian giving. Many people are willing to listen but have little initiative to take the Gospel to others. There is a large body of Local Preachers, some of whom are faithful in going regularly to their appointment according to the Quarterly Plan, but on the whole the record is very disappointing. Too often the sheep gather but no shepherd appears. Immorality amongst teachers is deplorable and brings sorrow and shame to the Church.

The people in Marange District are praying for a revival. The people are subject to new and heavy strains in land development, political agitation, keen desire for higher education, bus and train travel, and many other interests; sometimes the Church takes second place in the minds of the people.

During the past year at the Shona Language School we have had 15 Conference Methodists with 16 children, 6 Synod Methodists and 2 Anglicans. Some of the children had regular classes as well as the adults. We have now had representatives from 6 different denominations and have taught all 4 of the dialects which make up Union Shona. There is a growing interest on the part of the European population in learning the language of the people and many non-missionaries have bought the study books.

The Press at Old Umtali reports that the subscription list of Umbowo, the Conference monthly church paper, printed both in English and Chimanyika, continues to climb slowly. The present paid circulation is 1320. The 1959 Sunday School lessons have been included in the paper for the first time. January 1959 marked the beginning of full time operation of the Bookvan by Rev. N. Chiwota. The Van has travelled approximately 2400 miles in three months selling books and literature. One leaflet which has been quite popular, even in front of the beer halls, describes the evils of wine and beer.

In conclusion: The spearhead of all our work is Evangelism. Others can and may provide education, medical services, literature, agriculture and industrial teaching, but the Christian Church alone must be responsible for Evangelism. If Christians do not evangelize, the Word will not be preached. As we look upon the world, we see sin in all its multiple forms. In Greek mythology a serpent named Hydra had nine heads. If any head was cut off, two others grew in its place. Sin is a monster of many forms: deception, lying, cheating, half-truths, dishonesty, stealing, broken promises, and immorality; we and our people must face these conditions. When evil is quenched in one place it rises up in another. Truly "the wages of sin is death". "Who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord".

We remind our Church that our Discipline states: "The Methodist Church has always believed that the only infallible proof of any genuine Church of Christ is its ability to disseminate the Pentecostal Spirit and life; to spread Scriptural Holiness over all lands, and to reform all continents by the Gospel of Christ."



## VII. ROLL OF THE DEAD

## A. MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE

1. Buchwalter, Abraham L. Born in Fertility, Penna., entered this Conference in 1899, served for 26 years, died on August 3, 1917 aged 52, buried at Monrovia, California.
2. Gurney, Samuel. Born in Long Branch, N.J., entered this Conference in 1887, served for 21 years, died on August 3, 1924, aged 64, buried at Salisbury, S.R.
3. Howard, Herbert N. Born in Harrisburg, Penna., entered Conference 1907, served 11 years, died March 7, 1925, aged 55, buried Canandaigua, N.Y.
4. Greeley, Eddy H., Born in Owatonna, Minn., entered Conference 1907, served for 50 years, died on April 8, 1938, aged 80, buried at Old Umtali.
5. Faku, Clifford Edward. Born in Fort Beaufort, Cape, entered Conference 1924, served 27 years, died February 1946, aged 64, buried Fort Beaufort.
6. Kapenzi, Amos. Born Gandanzara, entered Conference 1928, served 20 years, died May 4, 1948, aged 50, buried at Nyadiri.
7. Zimonte, Ebson. Born Uzumba, entered Conference 1942, served 8 years, died March 14, 1950, aged 35, buried at Nyadiri.
8. Huie, Carl William. Born Oneonta, Ala., entered Conference 1946, served 4 years, died July 21, 1950, aged 41, buried at Old Umtali.
9. Darikwa, Isaiah. Born Umtasa, entered Conference 1924, served 27 years, died August 17, 1951, aged 62, buried at Old Umtali.
10. Chimonyo, Obadiah. Born Nyamhuka (Inyanga), entered Conference 1932, served 23 years, died August 25, 1955, aged 63, buried at Old Umtali.
11. Bourgaize, Wilfred. Born Ilse, Guernsey, entered Conference 1921, served 25 years, died April 11, 1958, aged 72, buried at Old Umtali.

B. WIDOWS OF DECEASED MEMBERS: None  
WIVES OF MEMBERS

1. Naomi Mparutsa, wife of Moses Mparutsa, died February 12, 1933.
2. Emma Katsidzira, wife of Murashwa Katsidzira, died May 3, 1933.
3. Emily Faku, wife of Clifford Faku, died March 1, 1934.
4. Lydia Sika Munjoma, wife of Isaiah Munjoma, died February 12, 1945.
5. Hilda Ngonyama, wife of R.M. Ngonyama, died 1948.
6. Tseneka Chitombo, wife of Jonah Chitombo, died August 30, 1948.
7. Tumani Mandisodza, wife of David Mandisodza, died June 14, 1953.
8. Bertha Fowles Roberts, wife of G.A. Roberts, aged 73, died May 9, 1957, after serving in Rhodesia 1910-1950. Buried at Old Umtali.
9. Mrs. Chimbadzwa, wife of Josiah Chimbadzwa, died February 9, 1956.

## C. OTHER WORKERS

1. Miss Sadie Rexrode, died January 22, 1921, aged 38, after serving 3 years in S. Rhodesia, buried at Old Umtali.



2. Mr. Charles F. Taylor, missionary to China, died in Umtali Hospital, August 14, 1927, aged 67, buried at Old Umtali.
3. Miss E.E. Bjorklund, died November 19, 1930, aged 63. Was a missionary for 35 years, serving in China and Japan 1894-1900, in East Africa at Inhambane 1909-1915, and in Rhodesia at Old Umtali 1915-1929, buried at Old Umtali.
4. Miss Mildred O. Benson, died July 12, 1937, aged 42, after serving at Old Umtali 1926-37, buried at Old Umtali.
5. Miss Pearl Mullikin, died July 12, 1950, aged 71, after serving in S. Rhodesia 1909-1939, buried at Wilmore, Kentucky.

### VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

#### PLAN OF EXAMINATION

1. Missionaries (see 1956 Discipline, chapter VII, Paragraph 2041-2048)
2. The Conference Course of Study  
(Unless courses taken in Schools of Theology approved by the Annual Conference are accepted as substitutes in whole or in part for the following courses, they are to be taught over a period of eight years, and in no case shall a student remain in the course of study for more than twelve years.)
  - a. Studies for the First Year
    - The life of Christ (Synoptic Gospels)
    - The Discipline: Local Church, Judicial Administration and Ritual
    - Training for active church membership
    - History of the early Church (33-500 A.D.)
    - Homiletics
    - Wesley and his message
    - Written sermons on: repentance and justification by faith
    - Supplementary readings
  - b. Studies for the Second Year
    - The teachings of Jesus
    - History of the Church (500-1700 A.D.)
    - The Pentateuch
    - African beliefs and Christian ideals and ethics (suggested books by Edwin Smith: African Beliefs and Christian Ideals)
    - Worship and Ritual
    - Christian stewardship of life
    - Written sermons on: the new life and the witness of the Spirit
    - Supplementary readings
  - c. Studies for the Third Year
    - Letters of Paul
    - History of the Church (1700-Present), with special emphasis on the Wesleyan revival and Methodist Church
    - Message of the Prophets
    - Basic Christian beliefs: fundamental course in theology
    - The educational work of the Church
    - Methods of evangelism

Written sermons on salvation and Christian service  
Supplementary readings

- d. Studies for the Fourth Year
  - Fourth Gospel and General Epistles
  - Religious movements (with special reference to Catholicism, 7th Day Adventism, Russellism, Secularism, Islam, etc.)
  - Christian family and the community
  - Wisdom and devotional literature of the Old Testament
  - Acts and the early Church
  - The preacher and prayer
  - Church administration
  - Written sermons on perfection and fellowship of love
  - Supplementary readings

### 3. Course of Study for Approved Supply Pastors

- a. Studies for the First Year
  - Book of Genesis
  - Life of Moses--Exodus
  - Rules for African members of the Methodist Church in Southern Rhodesia
  - Memorise: Chitendo che Wapostori, Munamoto wa Tenzi, Mbiri Kuna Baba, Rukudzo, Chikomborero che Wapostori
- b. Studies for the Second Year
  - Nzira ye Upswene
  - Gospel of Matthew
  - The Discipline: Articles of Religion. The General Rules
  - Receive instructions in the conducting of a church service and the reading of Scriptures in public
- c. Studies for the Third Year
  - Acts of the Apostles
  - The Discipline: Aids to Devotion
  - Pilgrim's Progress
- d. Studies for the Fourth Year
  - Gospel of John
  - Epistle to Galatians
  - Epistle to Ephesians
  - The Ritual service for the burial of the dead
  - Lecture on the life of Wesley
  - Conference Rules of Order

## IX. HISTORICAL

### A. CONFERENCE SESSIONS

#### EAST CENTRAL AFRICA MISSION CONFERENCE

TIME	PLACE	BISHOP	SECRETARY
1901 Nov. 16	Umtali and Old Umtali	Hartzell	Springer
1903 Sept. 29	Umtali	Hartzell	Beetham
1905 May 26	Umtali	Hartzell	Ferris
1907 March 13	Umtali	Hartzell	Ferris
1907 Nov. 22	Umtali	Hartzell	Ferris
1909 July 10	Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley
1910 Aug. 17	Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley

1911	June 7	Umtali	Hartzell	Gurney
1912	Feb. 17	Old Umtali	J.R. Gates	O'Farrell
1913	Oct. 22	Old Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley

## RHODESIA MISSION CONFERENCE

1915	Jan. 20	Old Umtali	Hartzell	Greeley
1916	Feb. 16	Old Umtali	J.R. Gates	Greeley
1917	May 3	Old Umtali	Johnson	Greeley
1917	Dec. 7	Old Umtali	Johnson	J.R. Gates
1919	Apr. 4	Umtali	Johnson	Gurney
1921	June 13	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1922	June 14	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1923	June 19	Old Umtali	Shepard	James
1924	Aug. 13	Old Umtali	Johnson	James
1925	June 25	Old Umtali	Johnson	Wagner
1926	Nov. 4	Nyadiri	Johnson	R.C. Gates
1927	June 14	Old Umtali	Johnson	Murphree
1928	Sept. 19	Old Umtali	Johnson	Murphree
1929	July 3	Old Umtali	Johnson	Murphree
1930	July 9	Mutambara	Johnson	Murphree

## RHODESIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

1931	July 8	Mrewa	Johnson	Sells
1932	Sept. 28	Old Umtali	Johnson	Sells
1933	June 14	Old Umtali	Johnson	Sells
1934	June 13	Old Umtali	Johnson	Sells
1935	July 9	Old Umtali	Johnson	Adkins
1936	Dec. 6	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1937	Oct. 6	Nyadiri	Springer	Sells
1938	Oct. 5	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1939	Nov. 8	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells

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1939	Nov. 10	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1940	July 24	Mrewa	Springer	Sells
1941	Sept. 2	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1942	Sept. 1	Mutambara	Springer	Sells
1943	Aug. 31	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1944	Sept. 5	Old Umtali	Springer	Sells
1945	Aug. 21	Nyadiri	Booth	Sells
1946	Aug. 22	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1947	Aug. 25	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1948	Aug. 23	Old Umtali	Booth	Fuller
1949	Aug. 25	Old Umtali	Booth	Fuller
1950	Aug. 23	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1951	Aug. 19	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1952	Aug. 19	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1953	Aug. 16	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1954	Aug. 15	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1955	Aug. 14	Old Umtali	Hagen	Hassing
1956	Aug. 29	Old Umtali	Booth	Sells
1957	Apr. 23	Old Umtali	Dodge	Sells
1958	May 4	Old Umtali	Dodge	Sells
1959	May 3	Nyadiri	Dodge, Booth	Goodloe

## B. DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

## METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

1932

Ministerial: T.A. O'Farrell; Reserve--H.I. James  
 Lay: Miss Ruth Hanson; Reserve--Miss Oril Penney

- 1936  
Ministerial: H.I. James; Reserve--E.L. Sells  
Lay: Miss Sarah King; Reserve--Mrs. H.I. James
- THE METHODIST CHURCH
- 1940  
Ministerial: T.A. O'Farrell; Reserve: H.E. Taylor  
Lay: Mrs. T.A. O'Farrell; Reserve: Mrs. Taylor
- 1944  
Ministerial: M.J. Murphree; Reserve: E.L. Sells  
Lay: Miss Sarah King; Reserve: Mrs. Murphree
- 1948  
Ministerial: Per Hassing; Reserve: R.C. Gates and  
E.L. Sells  
Lay: T.R. Roberts; Reserve: Miss L. Tubbs
- 1952  
Ministerial: M.J. Murphree; Reserve: H.I. James  
Lay: Enoch Chieza; Reserve: Miss Lois Pfaff
- 1956  
Ministerial: Samuel Chieza; Reserve: J. Chitombo  
Lay: Mrs. O. Stine; Reserve: Mrs. R.C. Gates
- 1960  
Ministerial: J. Kawadza; Reserve: V. Otto  
Lay: Jasper Machiri; Reserve: Geoffrey Kapenzi

C. MISSIONARIES 1898-1959  
(List of missionaries sent to the Rhodesia work by the Board of Foreign Missions, the W.F.M.S., and the W.D.C.S. beginning with the opening of the work in 1898, with year of entering and leaving the work.

Rev. and Mrs. M.W. Ehnes	1898-1901
Rev. and Mrs. J.L. DeWitt	1899-1901
Mrs. Anna Arndt	1899-1902
Mr. Herman Heinkle	1899-1903
Dr. Hammett	1899-1899
Miss Culver	1899-1899
Rev. E.H. Greeley	1900-1938
Rev. R.E. Beetham	1901-1904
Mr. G.M. Odium	1901-1902
Rev. and Mrs. K. Wodehouse	1901-1910
Rev. J.M. Springer	1901-1906
	1921-1924
Mrs. H. Rasmussen	1901-
Mrs. J. Springer	1905-1909
	1921-1924
Miss E.H. Johnson	1901-1904
Rev. Samuel Gurney	1902-1905
	1909-1920
Mrs. S. Gurney	1902-1902
Mr. and Mrs. D. Carson	1902-1903
Rev. J.H. Dimmit	1903-1903
Rev. G.A. Baldwin	1903-1904
Rev. and Mrs. J.E. Ferris	1904-1909
Rev. S.D. Coffin	1905-1911
Miss Swormstedt	1905-
Mrs. S.D. Coffin	1907-1911
Mr. E.L. Sechrist	1906-1909
Rev. J.R. Gates	1906-1914
	1916-1932
Miss H.L. Lodge	1907-
Mrs. J.R. Gates	1908-1914
	1916-1932
Miss E.M. Bell	1907-1911
Miss S. Coffin	1907-1912

Rev. G.A. Roberts	1907-1950
Rev. and Mrs. A.L. Buchwalter	1909-1915
Rev. and Mrs. H.N. Howard	1909-1920
Miss E.D. Nourse	1909-1921
Miss P. Mullikin	1909-1939
Rev. and Mrs. T.A. O'Farrell	1910-1951
Miss B. Fowles	1910-
Mrs. G.A. Roberts	1912-1950
Miss R.N. Goddard	1912-
Mrs. J. Paisley	1915-1921
Miss G. Clark	1912-1947
Rev. and Mrs. C.A. Kent	1912-1915
Rev. and Mrs. H.I. James	1913-1952
Miss E.E. Bjorklund	1915-1930
Miss E.A. Hess	1915-1932
Miss F. Quinton	1917-1940
Miss S. Rexrode	1918-1921
Miss L. Tubbs	1918-1957
Rev. and Mrs. H.E. Taylor	1919-1947
Miss O. Parmenter	1920-1949
Rev. and Mrs. M.J. Murphree	1920-1957
Miss M. Fuller	1921-1931
	1938-1940
Rev. and Mrs. A. DeJacoby	1921-1921
Rev. W. Bourgaize	1921-1957
Rev. L.E. Tull	1921-1921
Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Gardner	1921-1925
Mrs. G. Beven	1922-1927
Miss B. Reitz	1922-1956
Rev. and Mrs. R.C. Gates	1922-
Miss A. Moore	1922-1927
Rev. and Mrs. J.G. Brass	1922-1923
Rev. and Mrs. F.G. Mauger	1923-1930
Miss E. McMann	1923-1931
Miss S. King	1923-1959
Miss B. Ramsey	1924-1937
Rev. R.F. Wagner	1924-1927
	1929-1934
Miss J.G. Woodruff	1925-1930
Miss Ila Scovill	1925-
Dr. S.R.P. Montgomery	1925-1929
Mrs. S.R.P. Montgomery	1925-1927
Miss Oral Penney	1926-1940
Miss R.E. Hanson	1926-
Miss M.O. Benson	1926-1937
Rev. and Mrs. E.L. Sells	1929-
Mrs. R.F. Wagner	1929-1934
Miss J. Pfaff	1929-
Miss W. Shields	1930-1937
Miss Alice Whitney	1931-
Miss I. Gugin	1931-1940
Rev. and Mrs. L.E. Adkins	1933-1937
Miss R. Rydell	1933-1947
Miss E. Parks	1938-
Miss M. Deyo	1939-
Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Hamrick	1939-1947
Rev. Per Hassing	1940-
Mrs. P. Hassing	1942-
Dr. G.A. Anderson	1941-1947
Mr. T. Roberts	1941-
Miss E. deVries	1944-
Mrs. G.A. Anderson	1944-1947
Miss H. Wildermuth	1944-1956
Rev. and Mrs. M.E. Culver	1944-
Miss E. Ashby	1945-
Mr. and Mrs. J. Thacker	1945-1948

Rev. and Mrs. Q.C. Roberts	1945-1949
Rev. and Mrs. C.W. Huie	1945-1950
Mrs. T.R. Roberts	1946-
Miss L. Pfaff	1946-
Miss M. Taylor	1947-
Miss F. Hackler	1947-
Rev. and Mrs. C.E. Fuller	1947-1952
Rev. and Mrs. L.G. Blomquist	1947-
Miss M. Johansson	1947-
Mrs. H.F. Buies	1948-1949
Rev. and Mrs. F. Jackson	1949-1954
Rev. and Mrs. K. Eriksson	1949-
Dr. and Mrs. J. Sheldon	1949-1954
Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Christian	1949-1951
Rev. and Mrs. K. Harper	1949-
Mr. and Mrs. B.A. Higgs	1949-
Mr. and Mrs. W. Kinyon	1950-
Rev. and Mrs. A.L. Mansure	1950-1955
Miss G. Otto	1950-
Miss V. Otto	1950-
Rev. and Mrs. O.A. Stine	1950-
Mrs. P.W. Jones	1950-1959
Rev. A. Leiknes	1950-1954
	1958-
Mr. and Mrs. I.W. Jansen	1950-
Miss S. Aldrich	1950-
Miss V. Priest	1950-1953
Rev. and Mrs. A.R. Boucher	1951-1956
Rev. and Mrs. H. Griffin	1951-
Rev. and Mrs. H.F. Anfinson	1951-
Mrs. A. Leiknes	1951-1954
	1958-
Miss S. Hervold	1947-
Mr. Morgan Johnson	1951-1955
Miss Helen Emmert	1951-1956
Miss Esther Russell	1951-
Miss Ellen Sweeney	1951-
Mr. and Mrs. B. Smalley	1952-
Miss M. Ball	1952-
Rev. and Mrs. E.J. Aeschliman	1952-
Rev. and Mrs. D.L. Sherertz	1952-1958
Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Carr	1952-1957
Dr. Clara Nutting	1952-1958
Miss J. Titus	1953-1954
Dr. and Mrs. M. Fiburn	1953-
Rev. and Mrs. C. Miller	1953-
Miss M. Sawyer	1954-
Mr. Roger Harmon	1954-1955
Miss Jenny Larsen	1954-
Miss R. Lind	1955-
Mr. D.M. Manbeck	1955-
Rev. and Mrs. M.W. Murphree	1955-
Miss D. Hickock	1956-
Rev. and Mrs. R.W. Goodloe	1956-
Mr. and Mrs. E. Matzigkeit	1956-
Mr. B. Averitt	1957-
Mr. and Mrs. J. Schevinus	1957-
Miss E. Roed	1957-
Miss M. Bayless	1958-
Rev. and Mrs. O. Fink	1958-
Mr. and Mrs. G. Fleshman	1958-
Mr. R. Gell	1958-
Dr. and Mrs. B. Horton	1958-
Miss A. Petersen	1958-
Mr. and Mrs. D. Shires	1958-
Rev. and Mrs. A. Alvord	1959-

Miss B. Feather	1959-
Miss M. Smock	1959-

The following workers were employed on the field:  
 Rev. M.H. Reid, 1898; Mrs. R. St. Tullock, 1902; Mr. M.B. Spears, 1905; Mrs. H. Brown, 1903; Miss Cuff, 1903; Mrs. T. Stratton, 1905; Miss E. Bennet, 1905; Rev. C.H. Beangley, 1906; Mr. W.H. Robson, 1906; Miss A.F. Gray, 1906; Rev. G.A. Stockdale, 1907; Mr. and Mrs. Garner, 1907; Miss Blezzard, 1907; Mr. and Mrs. C.S. Till, 1910; Mrs. L. Carson, 1911; Mr. K. Mackenzie, 1912; Rev. and Mrs. R.B. Wallace, 1913; Mr. J.G. Paisley, 1912; Rev. W. Garner, 1912; Mr. and Mrs. W. Hodgson, 1917; Mr. and Mrs. S.C. Searle, 1918-1921; Mr. C. Till, 1920; Mr. B. Pretorius, 1924; Mr. G. Pretorius, 1925-30; Miss J. McMorran, 1928-30; Mrs. Uys, 1930-33; Miss L. Pfaff, 1936-41; Mr. and Mrs. C. Huie, 1936-40; Miss L. Jessop, 1937-40; Miss F. Ellener, 1937-40; Mrs. I. Wratten, 1938; Mr. and Mrs. P.F. DeBrujin, 1939-40; Mr. and Mrs. G.P. Braithwaite, 1939-41; Miss E. Loze, 1940-46; Miss L. Forrest, 1941-55; Mrs. V. Sabistan, 1947; Mrs. C. Boswell, 1946-47; Mr. B. Howells, 1946; Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Burns, 1948; Miss F. Ellener, 1947; B. Finlayson, 1947; Miss Gericke, 1947; Rev. and Mrs. E. Dugmore, 1953; Miss A. Martin, 1948; Mrs. W. Reich, 1948-51; Rev. and Mrs. J.C. Beltman, 1950-51; Mrs. W. Gazeley, 1951-; Mr. A.J.H. O'Hara, 1949-50, 1953; Mrs. G. Mansure, 1951-54; Mrs. Nuttal, 1954; Mr. H. Ferreira, 1955; Rev. F. T. Meacham, 1955; Mr. T.J.C. West, 1953-58; Mrs. J. Thompson, 1955; Mrs. T.J.C. West, 1956-58; Dr. R. Bartholomew, 1956; Mrs. B. Gardner, 1957; Miss A. Porteous, 1958-; Miss Lumm, 1959; Mr. Smith, 1959.

## X. PASTORAL RECORD

(This record includes only the appointments during membership in the Conferences, and not those as "supply". In the case of missionaries, appointments before Conference membership on the field are included. The figures are the years of service spent in the Ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Conference and the Methodist Conference. The addresses are given in the Conference Roll and Directory)

### 1. FULL MEMBERS

Aeschliman, Edward John; Genesse Conference 1916; ordained Deacon and Elder 1918; transferred to North China Conference 1919; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1952; 1954-57 Umtali, Miller Memorial Church and Social Centre, Theological School, Old Umtali; 1959 Assistant Pastor, Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali.

Aldrich, Sylvia: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946 by the Highway Conference; appointed missionary of the W.D.C.S. to Rhodesia; 1950-56 Old Umtali, Teacher Training Dept.; 1958-59 Teacher Training Dept., Old Umtali.

Anfinson, Hans Faye: Norway Conference 1948; Deacon 1951; Elder 1952 (Missionary Rule); Sandnes 1948-49; in school 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1952; 1952-56 Marange-Chiduku; 1958 Supt. of Schools, Mrewa District; 1959 Supt. of Schools, Mrewa District and Chairman, Mrewa Mission.

Ball, Marcia: Rhodesia Conference 1953; appointed missionary of the W.D.C.S. in Rhodesia 1952; Deacon 1955; Elder 1958; 1952-56 Umtali Christian Centre; Conference Director of Christian Education, Women's Bible Training and Evangelism 1958-59.

Blomquist, Lennart: Swedish Conference 1940; Deacon 1942; Elder 1944; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1947; Nyadiri District missionary 1947-49; Superintendent, Nyadiri District 1950-51; on furlough 1952; 1954-56 Mutambara; 1957-59 Old Umtali Farm.

Chidzikwe, Josiah: Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1948 Mukahanana Circuit; 1949 Penhalonga Circuit; 1950 Assistant Religious Education; 1951 Maranke North Circuit; 1952-56 Mrewa; 1957-59 Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali.

Chieza, Luke: Rhodesia Conference 1934; Deacon 1936; Elder 1938; 1936-41 evangelist Mrewa District; 1942-47 Mrewa; 1949-52 Nyakatsapa Circuit; 1954-55 Assistant Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District; 1956-59 Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District.

Chieza, Philip: Rhodesia Mission Conference 1927; Deacon 1932; Elder 1936; 1927-29 Muziti; 1930-31 Chiduku Circuit; 1932 Odzi Circuit; 1933-35 Odzi-Old Umtali Circuit; 1936-38 Odzi Circuit; 1939-48 Penhalonga Circuit; 1949-54 Chiduku South Circuit; 1955 retired.

Chieza, Samuel: Rhodesia Conference 1927; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1927-31 Mrewa; 1931-48 Mtoko; 1949-59 Salisbury.

Chigubu, Nason: Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-56 Chikuhwa and Uzumba North Circuit; 1957-59 Nyadiri East Circuit.

Chikosi, Davison: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1953-54 Gandanzara Circuit; 1955 supernumerary; 1956-59 Mutambara East Circuit.

Chimbadzwa, Josiah: Rhodesia Conference 1926; Deacon 1929; Elder 1930; 1926-30 Assistant, Theological School, Old Umtali; 1931-33 Assistant Pastor, Old Umtali and teacher in Hartzell Training School; 1934-35 Assistant Pastor, Old Umtali; 1936-40 Pastor Old Umtali; 1941-46 Salisbury; 1946-51 Old Umtali; 1952-58 Umtali; 1959 supernumerary.

Chimbganda, Elijah: Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1955-59 Mtoko North Circuit.

Chitombo, Jonah: Rhodesia Conference 1933; Deacon 1935; Elder 1938; in school 1933-35; 1935-47 Nyadiri Circuit; 1948-52 Nyadiri East Circuit; 1953-55 Assistant Superintendent, Nyadiri District; 1956 Nyadiri District; 1957-59 Mrewa and Nyadiri District.

Choto, Kenneth: Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1948-52 Mrewa School Supervisor and Mrewa East; 1954-56 Assistant Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1957 Mtoko District; 1958 study; 1959 Old Umtali Biblical Institute.

Culver, Maurice E.: Newark Conference 1942; Deacon and Elder 1944; New Jersey 1942-44; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1945; 1945-46 Maranke and Zimunya Circuits; 1947-49 Superintendent Maranke-Zimunya District; 1947-48 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1948-49 Umtali District; 1949-52 on furlough; 1952-55 Secretary of Literature and Evangelism; 1954-56 Principal Theological School; 1957 on furlough; 1959 Principal, Old Umtali Biblical Institute.

Chiza, Martin: Rhodesia Conference 1952; Deacon 1954; Elder 1956; 1952 Gandanzara Circuit; 1953-56 Ehnes Memorial Church, Old Umtali; 1957 study; 1958 Theological School; 1959 Epworth Theological College.



Chinogureyi, Maja David: Rhodesia Conference 1956; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1956 Umtali Zimunya Circuit; 1957-58 Nyadiri Circuit; 1959 Chikore Tanda Circuit.

Dikanifuwa, Nason A.: Rhodesia Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1958; 1955-56 Nyadiri Mission, 1957-59 Umtali.

Eriksson, Kare: Norway Conference 1941; Deacon 1946; Elder 1947; No in Rana 1941-42; Sigenrford 1943; Bod 1944; in school 1947-48; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1949; 1949-51 District missionary, Mutambara; 1952-53 Superintendent, Mutambara District; 1954 on furlough; 1955-59 Superintendent Mutambara District, Principal Mutambara School.

Gates, Robert C.: Rhodesia Conference 1923; Deacon 1923; Elder 1927; 1923-27 Literary and Normal Department, Hartzell Training School; 1923 Old Umtali Circuit; 1924 Old Umtali Church; 1925 Old Umtali, Umtali, and Umtali Circuit; 1926 Mission Correspondent; 1927 Superintendent Old Umtali District and Principal Hartzell Training School; 1932 Superintendent, Nyadiri Mission; 1933-35 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1936 Superintendent Umtali-Rusape District and St. Andrews Church; 1933-36 Mission Treasurer; 1937 on furlough; 1938-46 Hartzell Training School, Teacher Training Dept.; 1939-46, 1949-54 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1941-48 on furlough; 1949-50 Mrewa North and West Circuit; 1950-55 Supervisor Harare Church, Salisbury; 1956 on furlough; 1957 Superintendent Umtali-Zimunya District; 1958-59 Superintendent and School Superintendent Marange District.

Goodloe, Robert W.: Rhodesia Conference 1956; 1952 Deacon; 1956 Elder; 1956 School Superintendent Mtasa District; 1957 Principal Hartzell Theological School; 1959 Epworth Theological College.

Griffin, Hunter D.: Kentucky Conference 1947; 1949 Deacon; Elder 1950; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1951; District missionary Mtasa-Makoni 1951; 1952-55 Superintendent, Mtasa-Makoni District; 1956 on furlough; 1957-59 Nyadiri Mission.

Gurupira, Philemon: Rhodesia Conference 1952; 1954 Deacon; Elder 1956; 1952-55 Mtoke African Missionary Society; 1956-58 Chiduku South Circuit; 1959 Nyadiri Circuit.

Harper, Kenneth: California-Nevada Conference 1948; Deacon and Elder 1948; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1951; 1951 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1952-54 Teacher Training Old Umtali; 1954-59 on furlough.

Hassing, Per: Norway Conference 1937; Deacon 1938; Elder 1939; 1937-39 Conference Evangelist; 1939 transferred Rhodesia Conference; 1940-41 Superintendent of Schools, Old Umtali District; 1942-45 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1946-47 on furlough; 1948-50 Superintendent Mtasa-Makoni District; 1949-52 Superintendent Umtali District; 1952 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1953-54 on furlough; 1955-57 Field Treasurer and Correspondent; 1956-59 Administrative Assistant to the Bishop.

James, Henry I.: West Wisconsin Conference 1907; Deacon 1910; Elder 1913; 1907 Birchwood; transferred Wisconsin Conference 1908; 1908-09 Algoma; 1910-12 Oconto; transferred East Central Africa Mission Conference 1913; 1913-14 St. Paul's Penhalonga; 1915 Principal Hartzell Training School; 1916-19 Mission Treasurer; 1916 Bible Dept. and Mission Press; 1917-18 Principal Central Training School Old Umtali Circuit; 1919 on furlough; 1920-22 Superintendent, Umtali District and St. Andrews Church; 1920-24 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1923-24 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1925-

26 on furlough; 1927-28 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1929-31, Superintendent, Umtali District and St. Andrews Church; 1932-34 Superintendent Umtali District, Principal Theological School, Pastor Old Umtali, and Mission Press; 1930-34 Mission Treasurer and Correspondent; 1935 on furlough; 1936-47 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1948-49 on furlough; 1949-51 Superintendent Mutambara; 1952 retired.

Jangano, Elia: On trial Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1948-49 Assistant in Religious Education; 1950-51 Mutambara; 1952 Mutambara East; 1954-55 Mutambara West Circuit; 1956-58 Chaplain Hospital; 1959 Chiduku South Circuit.

Jijita, John: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-56 Maramba Pfungwe Circuit; 1957-59 Nyadiri Centre.

Kajese, Amon: Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-52 Maramba-Pfungwe-Darwin Circuit; 1953-59 Uzumba North and South Circuit.

Kasambira, Silas: Rhodesia Conference 1932; Deacon 1934; Elder 1936; in school 1932-33; 1934 Penhalonga; 1935-40 Gandanzara Circuit; 1941-45 Mt. Makomwe; 1945-52 Nyanyadzi; 1954-59 Mutambara West.

Katsande, Alfred: Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1955-56 Nyamukwarara; 1957-59 Inyanga North.

Katsidzira, Benjamin: Rhodesia Conference 1924; Deacon 1926; Elder 1930; 1924-25 Nyamukwarara; 1926 Gandanzara; 1927-31 Gandanzara Circuit; 1932-34 Mtasa Circuit; 1935-38 Maranke Circuit; 1939-48 Zimunya Circuit; 1950 Chiduku North Circuit; 1951 retired.

Katsidzira, Hosea: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-35 Mangwendi Circuit; 1935-38 Headlands Circuit; 1939-59 Mrewa Circuit.

Kawadza, Jonah: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-57 Mrewa East Circuit; 1958-59 Chikwizo Circuit.

Kowo, Simon: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1953; Elder 1955; 1953-54 Mtoko North Circuit; 1955-56 Mtoko East Circuit; 1957 Assistant Superintendent Mtoko District.

Kuwana, Elisha L: Rhodesia Conference 1952; Deacon 1956; 1952-53 Nyamukwarara; 1954-55 Mrewa East Circuit; 1957-59 Mtoko East Circuit.

Leiknes, Asbjorn: Norway Conference 1948; Deacon 1949; Elder 1950; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1950; 1950-51 District Missionary, Nyadiri; 1952-54 Superintendent, Nyadiri District; 1955-58 on furlough; 1959 Superintendent Mutambara and Umtali-Zimunya Districts.

Machiri, Jonah: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1933; Elder 1935; in school 1933-35; 1935-37 Evangelist, Old Umtali District; 1938-39 Mukahanana Circuit; 1940-41 Teacher, Hartzell Training School, Old Umtali; 1942-48 Chiduku South Circuit; 1949-54 Chiduku North Circuit; 1949-54 Maranke South Circuit; 1955-59 Penhalonga Mundenda Circuit.

Machiri, Patrick: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-33 Chiduku Circuit; 1934-35 Maranke Circuit; 1936-49 Nyakatsapa; 1950-51 Mtoko; 1952-54 Chiduku North; 1955-59 Gandanzara Circuit.

Madzinga, Nason: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-57 Nyadiri East Circuit; 1957-59 Maramba-Pfungwe.

Makuto, Daniel: Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; 1949-50 Chikwizo; 1951-50 Mtoko; 1957-59 Mrewa East Circuit.

Mandisodza, David: Rhodesia Conference 1921; Deacon 1921; Elder 1929; 1921 Salisbury; 1922-29 Headlands Circuit; 1930-33 Umtali; 1934 leave of absence; 1935 supernumerary; 1936 located; 1937-43 Mangwendi Circuit; 1944-50 Marange Circuit; 1951 retired.

Mandisodza, Wilson: Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-43 Muziti; 1944-46 Nyakatsapa; 1947-49 Old Umtali Circuit; 1950-51 Nyadiri Circuit; 1952 Mrewa East Circuit; 1953-59 Mrewa North Circuit.

Maramba, Johnson: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1936; 1930 Assistant Hartzell Training School; 1931-33 Mukahanana Circuit; 1934 in school; 1935-36 Penhalonga; 1936-38 Penhalonga Circuit; 1939-49 Chiduku North; 1949-50 Nyadiri Circuit; 1950 Penhalonga-Mundenda; 1955-59 Zimunya Circuit.

Maranke, Thomas: Rhodesia Conference 1923; Deacon 1926; Elder 1928; 1923 Umtali; 1924-25 Mutambara Circuit; 1926-38 Zimunya Circuit; 1939-46 Maranke Circuit; 1947-48 Associate, Umtali; 1948 retired.

Maranke, Titus: Rhodesia Conference 1924; Deacon 1926; Elder 1930; 1924-28 Salisbury; 1929-31 in school; 1932-33 Gandanzara Circuit; 1934-51 Umtali; 1952-58 Mutambara; 1959 Chaplain Hospital.

Matongo, Ezekiel: Rhodesia Conference 1955; Deacon 1957; Elder 1959; 1955-59 Maranke South Circuit.

Miller, Charles M.: Baltimore Conference 1949; Deacon 1950; Elder 1951; 1950-52 in school; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1953; 1953-54 Mutambara District Superintendent; 1955-57 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1958 Social Centre, Umtali; 1959 on furlough.

Mparutsa, Moses: Rhodesia Conference 1928; Deacon 1930; Elder 1933; 1928-29 Umtali; 1930-44 Nyadiri; 1945-54 Zimunya South Circuit; 1955 Assistant Superintendent Maranke-Chiduku District; 1956-57 Superintendent Maranke District; 1955-58 Maranke Central Circuit; 1959 Umtali.

Mukombiwa, Zachariah: Rhodesia Conference 1926; Deacon 1929; Elder 1932; 1926 Assistant Agriculture Dept. Old Umtali; 1927-28 Penhalonga; 1929-33 Headlands Circuit; 1934-38 Chiduku Circuit; 1939-46 Old Umtali Circuit; 1948 Mrewa East Circuit; 1949 retired.

Munjoma, Enoch: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-53 Mtoko North Circuit; 1954-57 Zimunya Circuit; 1958-59 Mrewa Centre.

Munjoma, Samuel: Rhodesia Conference 1942; Deacon 1944; Elder 1946; 1942-48 Uzumba North Circuit; 1949 Mutambara Mission; 1950-53 Mundenda Circuit; 1954-59 Maranke North Circuit.

Murphree, Marshall J.: Nebraska Conference 1917; Deacon 1919; Elder 1920; transferred Rhodesia Conference 1921; 1921-23 Principal Hartzell Training School, Superintendent Old Umtali District; 1924 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1925 on furlough; 1926-31 Theological Dept., Old Umtali; 1926 Gandanzara Circuit; 1927 Superintendent Rusape District, Mission Press; 1932 Superintendent Umtali-Rusape District, St. Andrews Church; 1933-34 on furlough; 1935-38 Superintendent Old Umtali District, Principal Hartzell Training School, Mission Press; 1939-40 Superintendent Old Umtali District and Mission; 1941-44 on furlough; 1945 Old Umtali; 1946-50 Superintendent Old Umtali District, Principal Hartzell Training School; 1951 on furlough; 1952-56 Conference Evangelist; 1957 retired.

Murphree, Marshall Warne: Indiana Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1957; 1954 Lanesville; 1955 in school; 1956 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1956-57 Evangelist Nyadiri-Mtoko; 1957-59 Superintendent of Schools, Nyadiri District.

Mushapaidze, Davison: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-56 Chikore-Tanda Circuit; 1957-59 Mrewa East Circuit.

Muzorewa, Abel: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1957; 1953-55 Assistant in Conference Evangelism; 1956-57 Chiduku North Circuit; 1958-59 study.

Muzulu, Samuel: Rhodesia Conference 1956; 1958 Deacon; 1956-59 Nyakatsapa Circuit.

Nemaungwe, John: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1955; Elder 1959; 1953-56 Assistant, Miller Memorial Church, Umtali; 1957 supernumerary; 1958-59 Chiduku North Circuit.

Nduna, John: Rhodesia Conference 1928; Deacon 1930; Elder 1932; 1928-31 Assistant, Hartzell Training School Old Umtali (Literary Dept), Old Umtali Circuit; 1932-37 Teacher in Hartzell Training School, Old Umtali; 1938-40 Superintendent of Schools, Old Umtali District; 1941 leave of absence; 1942-48 Assistant, Hartzell Training School (Literary Dept); 1942-56 Superintendent Honde District; 1957-59 Rowa.

Ngonyama, Reginald: Rhodesia Conference 1925; Deacon 1927; Elder 1929; 1925-26 Assistant, Mutambara Mission; 1927-28 Mutambara Circuit and Mutambara Mission; 1929-33 Maranke Circuit; 1934-51 Assistant, Hartzell Training School; 1952 retired.

Nyamukapa, Patron: Rhodesia Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; in school 1948; 1950 North East Mtoko District; 1951 Chikwizo; 1952-56 Assistant for Literature Evangelism; 1957-58 Headlands Circuit; 1959 Mutambara.

Otto, Grace: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1948; Elder 1952; 1954 Mutambara Girls School; 1955 on furlough; 1956-59 Headmistress Mutambara Girls School.

Otto, Vivian: Rhodesia Conference 1953; Deacon 1948; Elder 1952; 1953-54 Nyadiri Girls School; 1955 on furlough; 1956 Nyadiri; 1957 Old Umtali Teacher Training; 1958-59 Mutambara Teacher Training.

O'Farrell, Thomas A.: East Central Africa Conference 1910; Deacon and Elder 1910; 1910-1915 Mutambara Mission and Circuit; 1915-18 on furlough; 1919 Principal Central Training School, Old Umtali; 1919-20 Mrewa Mission and Circuit; 1921-23 Superintendent Mrewa District; 1924 on furlough; 1925-26 Superintendent, Mrewa District; 1927-31 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1932 on furlough; 1933-39 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1940 on furlough; 1941-47 Superintendent Nyadiri District; 1948 on furlough; 1949-51 Umtali African work; 1951-52 on furlough; 1953 retired.

Roberts, George A.: Rhodesia Conference 1921; Deacon and Elder 1921; 1907-08 Old Umtali, Assistant Agriculture Dept.; 1909-10 Old Umtali Industries; 1911 Old Umtali Agriculture and Sunday School Missionary; 1912-13 Old Umtali Agriculture Dept.; 1914 on furlough; 1915-18 Old Umtali Agriculture and Animal Husbandry; 1919-20 Mutambara Circuit; 1921 on furlough; 1922-23 Old Umtali Dept. of Agriculture and Gandanzara Circuit; 1924 Principal Hartzell Training School and Gandanzara Circuit; 1925-28 Principal Hartzell Training School and Dept. of Agriculture; 1929-30 on furlough; 1931-37 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1938 on furlough; 1939-45 Superintendent Mutambara District; 1947 on furlough; 1948-50 Principal Nyadiri Mission; 1950 retired.

Rugayo, Jackson: Rhodesia Conference 1930; Deacon 1932; Elder 1934; 1930-31 in school; 1932-48 Mutambara Circuit; 1949-51 Mrewa; 1952 Maranke North Circuit; 1953-59 Nyanyadzi Circuit.

Sells, Ernest L.: Kentucky Conference 1921; Deacon 1925; Elder 1927; 1921-22 in school; transferred to Kansas Conference 1923; 1923-24 Winchester; 1925-27 in school; 1927-28 Elgin; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1929; 1929-32 Supt., Mrewa District; 1933-35 Supt., Umtali-Rusape District, St. Andrews Church; 1936 on furlough; 1937-38 Supt., Umtali District, St. Andrews Church; 1938 Supt., Mutambara District; 1939-47 Supt., Umtali District; 1948-49 on furlough; 1949-54 Umtali, St. Andrews and Circuit; 1955 on furlough; 1956-58 Principal Mrewa Mission; 1959 on furlough.

Stine, Ovid A.: Southern Illinois Conference 1941; Deacon 1943; Elder 1945; 1941 Mt. Erie; 1942-44 Elisabethtown; 1943 Harrisburg "Dorris Heights"; 1946-49 in school; 1950 transferred to Rhodesia Conference; 1950-51 Mtoko Missionary; 1952-54 Supt. Mrewa District; 1955 on furlough; 1956-57 Supt. Makoni District; 1958-59 Supt. Mtoko District and Principal Nyamuzuwi Mission.

Zuze, Solomon: Rhodesia Conference 1954; Deacon 1956; Elder 1959; 1954-55 Mtoko North Circuit; 1956-57 Chikwizo; 1958-59 Zimunya North Circuit.

Fink, Omar: Northwest Indiana Conference 1948; Deacon 1950; Elder 1952; South Bend (St. Pauls Memorial) 1948-49; Hamlet 1949-51; in school 1951-52; transferred to North Georgia Conference 1952; Athens 1952-55; transferred to Virginia Conference 1955; Alexandria (Fairlington) 1955-57; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1958; St. Andrews Church 1958-59.

## 2. PROBATIONERS

Alvord, Alexander: Northern California-Nevada Conference 1958; Deacon 1958; transferred to Rhodesia Conference 1958; Assistant Supt. and Supt. of Schools, Makoni District, and Rusape English Circuit 1959.

Chiwota, Nathaniel: Rhodesia Conference 1959; Literature Distribution Bookvan 1959.

Manjengwa, Obediah: Rhodesia Conference 1957; Deacon 1949; 1957-59 Chikoro-Tanda Circuit; 1959 Marange Central Circuit.

Mdzengerere, David: Rhodesia Conference 1959; Headlands Circuit 1959.

## APPENDIX: A STATEMENT REGARDING THE "MUSKWE FARM" PROPERTY

Because of the manner in which Muskwe Farm was acquired there are now serious questions about the future of this property. Unlike most land belonging to our Conference the Muskwe Farm was obtained through an "Agreement of Purchase" between the Conference and the Southern Rhodesia Government. Certain laws and obligations pertain to land bought in this manner, within European areas, and at the time of purchase of Muskwe Farm. Some of the agreed terms were as follows:

1. The purchase price of £293-3-0 (less than 3/- per acre) was to be paid by 1961. This has been done.
2. During the period of purchase agreement our Conference was to occupy the land continuously with a European in residence and carry on bona fide farming operations, mainly:
  - a. Cultivate not less than 30 acres during the first year of agreement, not less than 60

acres the second year, and 80 acres thereafter during each succeeding year.

- b. On the farm there should be continuously maintained not less than 40 head of large stock or its equivalent (i.e. 200 head of sheep or goats).

These appear to be the main items. Even from this, many know that these terms have not been fulfilled. Therefore, because we have not done our part, the Government now has the right to take back the land without compensating us in any way.

There is some indication that the Government will not force this matter immediately. At present they are holding the title deed presumably to see whether or not our Conference shows active intentions of productively using "Muskwe Farm".

This statement has been prepared as an explanation to members of Conference should the Government take back "Muskwe Farm".

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STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MARANKE DISTRICT

WORKERS (\*1)

	Mutsago	Chifatsura	Makomwe	Total
1. Members of Conference		1	2	3
2. On Trial	1			1
3. Missionaries			2	2
4. Other Missionary Workers				
5. Approved Supply Pastors		1		1
6. Other Christian Life Workers				
7. Volunteer Workers	92	69	34	195

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

8. Baptized Children under 12	219	621	154	994
9. Enrolled Beginners	318	110	629	2057
10. Preparatory Members	284	86	198	568
11. Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	821	817	1981	3619
12. Full Members Enrolled	407	673	450	1530
13. Christian Families	111	118	201	430
14. Members of Men's Society	24	35	24	103
15. Members of Women's Society	126	204	196	526
16. Members in Methodist Youth Fellowship	26	37	49	112
17. Number of Preaching Places	9	11	9	29
18. Sunday Schools (Number)	18	16	18	52
19. Teachers and Officers in S. S.	44	45	53	142
20. Pupils in S. S.	704	708	1632	3044
21. Average Attendance at S. S.	500	614	848	1962

PASTORAL ACTIVITIES this year (5)

22. Children Baptised	32	50	38	100
23. Adults Baptised	35	38	31	104
24. Beginners Received	45	39	54	138
25. Preparatory Members Received	36	37	52	125
26. Full Members Received from Probation	36	45	46	127
27. Full Members Received by Transfer	10	39	25	74
28. Full Members Removed by Transfer	13	19		32
29. Full Members Died		2		2
30. Christian Marriages Performed	8	11	4	23

EDUCATIONAL

31. Number of Schools	6	8	9	23
32. Teachers	28	43	46	117
33. Students (As Below)				
A. Male	658	874	865	2397
B. Female	572	871	859	2302
C. Total Students	1230	1745	1724	4699
34. Finances—Ednl. (As Below)				
A. Local Receipts for Teachers' Support				
B. Total Teachers' Support	£4000	£4000	£4100	£12100
C. Local Receipts for other Purposes	£ 300	£ 350	£ 400	£ 1050
D. Subsidies				
E. Total Expenditures—Ednl. Dept.	£4000	£4000	£4100	£12100
F. Receipts for Buildings	£ 250	£2585	£ 750	£ 3586

MEDICAL

35. Number of Units (As Below)	
A. Hospitals	
B. Dispensaries or Treatments Centres	
C. Maternity Centres or Dept.	
36. Medical Staff	
A. Doctors	
B. Nurses	
C. Nurses in Training	
D. Others	
37. Patients (As Below)	
A. Hospitalised	
B. Clinic Patients	
C. Daily Treatments	
38. Finances—Medical	
A. Receipts from Fees and Local Gifts	
B. Subsidies	
C. Total Expenditures Medical Dept.	

CHURCH FINANCES

39. Ministerial Support				
A. Pastors	£ 161	£ 218	£ 191	£ 570
B. District Superintendents				
C. Episcopal Fund				
40. Conference Claimants				
41. Annual Conference Administration				
42. Central Conference Fund				
43. General Conference Administration				
44. Interdenominational Co-operation Fund				
45. Benevolences (As Below)				
A. Ngariende	£ 7			£ 7
B. Educational Loan Fund				
C. Other Benevolences		£ 98	£ 8	£ 106
46. Buildings and Repairs		£ 69	£ 380	£ 449
47. Other Purposes	£ 180			£ 180
48. Total Contr. of the Local Churches (39-47)	£ 348	£ 385	£ 579	£ 1312
49. Total Church Expenditures				

PROPERTIES

50. Number of Church Buildings (As Below)				
A. Permanent	1	4	6	11
B. Semi-permanent	3	3	4	10
C. Temporary	5	1		6
51. Number of Pastors' Residences	1	1	1	3

STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MAKONI DISTRICT

WORKERS (*1)	Mutlizi	Chiduku South	Ganda-nzara	Head-lands	Chikore-Tanda	Total
1. Members of Conference	1	1	1	1	1	5
2. On Trial						
3. Missionaries						
4. Other Missionary Workers						
5. Approved Supply Pastors						
6. Other Christian Life Workers		1		1		2
7. Volunteer Workers	195	133	94	119	53	594

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

8. Baptized Children under 12	409	377	344	50	37	1217
9. Enrolled Beginners	380	205	243	53	54	935
10. Preparatory Members	327	145	308	83	129	992
11. Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	1116	727	895	186	220	3144
12. Full Members Enrolled	1217	467	887	425	346	3342
13. Christian Families	240	196	103	102	52	693
14. Members of Men's Society	63	47	50	21	20	201
15. Members of Women's Society	338	172	329	159	94	1092
16. Members in Methodist Youth Fellowship	55	100	284	11	8	458
17. Number of Preaching Places	16	7	12	6	3	44
18. Sunday Schools (Number)	15	7	12	8	7	49
19. Teachers and Officers in S. S.	45	32	53	46	41	217
20. Pupils in S. S.	674	546	609	711	615	3155
21. Average Attendance at S. S.	410	385	549	516	574	2434

PASTORAL ACTIVITIES this year (5)

22. Children Baptised	83	49	24	20	53	229
23. Adults Baptised	51	49	1	21	28	150
24. Beginners Received	86	36	98	27	78	325
25. Preparatory Members Received	52	43	21	17	78	211
26. Full Members Received from Probation	103	36	20	10	54	223
27. Full Members Received by Transfer	12	12	5	4	3	36
28. Full Members Removed by Transfer	3	33	9	8	4	57
29. Full Members Died	4	2	5	1	7	19
30. Christian Marriages Performed	14	10	15	17	1	57

EDUCATIONAL

31. Number of Schools	5	4	8	4	2	23
32. Teachers	27	20	36	15	12	110
33. Students (As Below)						
A. Male	515	434	681	291	250	2171
B. Female	497	416	602	285	219	2019
C. Total Students	1012	850	1283	576	469	4190
34. Finances—Ednl. (As Below)						
A. Local Receipts for Teachers' Support						
B. Total Teachers' Support	£2812	£2000	£2800	£1500	£1200	£10312
C. Local Receipts for other Purposes	£182	£140		£9	£80	£411
D. Subsidies	£62	£45		£24	£23	£154
E. Total Expenditures—Ednl. Dept.	£2874	£2045	£2800	£1524	£1223	£10466
F. Receipts for Buildings	£73	£616	£827			£1516

MEDICAL

35. Number of Units (As Below)						
A. Hospitals						
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres						
C. Maternity Centres or Depts.						
36. Medical Staff						
A. Doctors						
B. Nurses						
C. Nurses in Training						
D. Others						
37. Patients (As Below)						
A. Hospitalised						
B. Clinic Patients						
C. Daily Treatments						
38. Finances—Medical						
A. Receipts from Fees and Local Gifts						
B. Subsidies						
C. Total Expenditures Medical Dept.						

CHURCH FINANCES

39. Ministerial Support						
A. Pastors	£104	£199	£183	£175		£661
B. District Superintendents						
C. Episcopal Fund						
40. Conference Claimants						
41. Annual Conference Administration						
42. Central Conference Fund						
43. General Conference Administration						
44. Interdenominational Co-operation Fund						
45. Benevolences (As Below)						
A. Ngariende		£1		£3		£4
B. Educational Loan Fund			£3			£3
C. Other Benevolences						
46. Buildings and Repairs			£41			£41
47. Other Purposes		£2				£2
48. Total Contr. of the Local Churches (39-47)	£104	£202	£227	£178		£711
49. Total Church Expenditures						

PROPERTIES

50. Number of Church Buildings (As Below)						
A. Permanent	9	11	21	2		43
B. Semi-permanent	2	19	48	2		71
C. Temporary		4	8	4		16
51. Number of Pastors' Residences	1	2	1	1	1	6

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MREWA DISTRICT

WORKERS (\*1)

	Mrewa Centre	Mrewa North	Mrewa South	Mrewa East	Mrewa West	Harare	Total
1. Members of Conference	3	2	1	1	1	1	9
2. On Trial						1	1
3. Missionaries	2						
4. Other Missionary Workers							
5. Approved Supply Pastors						1	1
6. Other Christian Life Workers							
7. Volunteer Workers	27	57	32	112	25	19	272

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

8. Baptized Children Under 12	127	249	178	209	119	49	922
9. Enrolled Beginners	108	318	69	171	229	445	1340
10. Preparatory Members	201	142	92	162	80	564	1241
11. Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	436	709	339	542	438	1058	3503
12. Full Members Enrolled	710	322	258	610	304	163	2367
13. Christian Families	68	171	77	143	69	69	597
14. Members of Men's Society	12	37	21	36	54	54	214
15. Members of Women's Society	109	189	119	225	51	72	765
16. Members in Methodist Youth Fellowship	330	31	29	27	15	62	494
17. Number of Preaching Places	1	7	7	13	11	6	45
18. Sunday Schools (Number)	2	7	14	11	16	4	54
19. Teachers and Officers in S.S.	32	41	55	106	38	35	307
20. Pupils in S.S.	900	674	830	1237	377	477	4495
21. Average Attendance at S. S.	542	532	325	1096	392	430	3317

PASTORAL ACTIVITIES this year (5)

22. Children Baptized	23	54	11	35	12	33	168
23. Adults Baptized	29	14	19	21	18	36	137
24. Beginners Received	45	87	24	78	113	31	378
25. Preparatory Members Received	54	65	14	22	7	80	242
26. Full Members Received from Probation	29	34	16	24	8	32	143
27. Full Members Received by Transfer	26	4		3	8	53	99
28. Full Members Removed by Transfer	13	1		6	7	39	66
29. Full Members Died		6	2	3	1		12
30. Christian Marriages Performed	6	6	3	3	9	10	37

EDUCATIONAL

31. Number of Schools	1	8	5	11	8		33
32. Teachers	29	33	25	42	33		162
33. Students (As Below)							
A. Male	489	766	512	851	608		3226
B. Female	343	659	466	746	627		2841
C. Total Students	832	1425	978	1597	1235		6067
34. Finances - Ednl. (As Below)							
A. Local Receipts for Teachers' Support	£6283		£11769				£18052
B. Total Teachers' Support	£6138		£1665				£8803
C. Local Receipts for Other Purposes	£2152		£995				£3147
D. Subsidies	£8435		£12764				£21199
E. Total Expenditure - Ednl.	£833		£500				£1333
F. Receipts for Buildings							

MEDICAL

35. Number of Units (As Below)							
A. Hospital							
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres							
C. Maternity Centres or Depts.							
36. Medical Staff							
A. Doctors							
B. Nurses							
C. Nurses in Training							
D. Others							
37. Patients (As Below)							
A. Hospitalised							
B. Clinic Patients							
C. Daily Treatments							
38. Finances - Medical							
A. Receipts from Fees and Local Gifts							
B. Subsidies							
C. Total Expenditures - Medical Dept.							

CHURCH FINANCES

39. Ministerial Support							
A. Pastors	£160	£180	£180	£160	£180	£210	£1070
B. District Superintendents	£10	£20		£33			£63
C. Episcopal Fund	£3	£4		£6			£13
40. Conference Claimants	£1	£1					£2
41. Annual Conference Administration	£3	£3		£5			£11
42. Central Conference Fund	£2	£3		£5			£10
43. General Conference Administration							
44. Interdenominational Co-operation Fund							
45. Benevolences (As Below)							
A. Ngariende							
B. Educational Loan Fund							
C. Other Benevolences	£10	£5		£5		£5	£25
46. Buildings and Repairs							
47. Other Purposes	£3	£7		£13			£23
48. Total Contribution of the Local Churches (39-47)	£192	£223	£180	£227	£180	£215	£1217
49. Total Church Expenditures							

PROPERTIES

50. Number of Church Buildings (As Below)							
A. Permanent	1	1	3	3	1	1	10
B. Semi-permanent		3		5	2		10
C. Temporary		4	4	2	5		15
51. Number of Pastors' Residences	1	1	1	1	1	2	7

STATISTICAL FORM RHODESIA  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MTOKO DISTRICT

WORKERS (*1)	Mtoko North	Mtoko South	Mtoko East	Chikwizo	Total
1. Members of Conference	2	2	1	1	6
2. On Trial					
3. Missionaries	3	1			4
4. Other Missionary Workers					
5. Approved Supply Pastors				1	1
6. Other Christian Life Workers				5	5
7. Volunteer Workers	84	47	25		161
<b>CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY</b>					
8. Baptized Children Under 12	62	35	21	13	131
9. Enrolled Beginners	1112	198	134	32	1478
10. Preparatory Members	258	98	217	5	578
11. Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	1432	331	372	50	2185
12. Full Members Enrolled	324	252	300	33	909
13. Christian Families	53	36	78	8	175
14. Members of Men's Society	42	23	33	4	102
15. Members of Women's Society	297	147	179	13	636
16. Members in Methodist Youth Fellowship	47	52	22	16	137
17. Number of Preaching Places	11	12	10	7	40
18. Sunday Schools (Number)	11	10	10	1	32
19. Teachers and Officers in S. S.	62	47	35	8	153
20. Pupils in S. S.	1628	1560	849	180	4197
21. Average Attendance at S. S.	1113	750	620	160	2643
<b>PASTORAL ACTIVITIES this year (5)</b>					
22. Children Baptized	28	22	16	12	78
23. Adults Baptized	58	49	38	20	165
24. Beginners Received	194	65	29		288
25. Preparatory Members Received	128	46	55	48	277
26. Full Members Received from Probation	113	51	50	14	228
27. Full Members Received by Transfer	66	14	6	6	92
28. Full Members Removed by Transfer	52	37	8	3	100
29. Full Members Died	1	3	1	1	6
30. Christian Marriages Performed	10	8	11		29
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>					
31. Number of Schools	11	7	7	1	26
32. Teachers	35	41	32	4	112
33. Students (As Below)					
A. Male	809	884	826	112	2631
B. Female	495	723	519	54	1791
C. Total Students	1304	1607	1345	166	4422
34. Finances—Ednl. (As Below)					
A. Local Receipts for Teachers' Support	£ 719		£ 274		£ 993
B. Total Teachers' Support	£ 2989	£ 4271	£ 2355	£ 315	£ 9930
C. Local Receipts for Other Purposes	£ 3580	£ 441	£ 312	£ 43	£ 4376
D. Subsidies	£ 260	£ 203	£ 164	£ 23	£ 650
E. Total Expenditures—Ednl. Dept.	£ 3249	£ 4474	£ 2519	£ 338	£ 10580
F. Receipts for Buildings	£ 609	£ 1750	£ 1400	£ 350	£ 4190
<b>MEDICAL</b>					
35. Number of Units (As Below)					
A. Hospitals					
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres				1	1
C. Maternity Centres or Depts.					
36. Medical Staff					
A. Doctors					
B. Nurses					
C. Nurses in Training					
D. Others				1	1
37. Patients (As Below)					
A. Hospitalised					
B. Clinic Patients					
C. Daily Treatments					
38. Finances—Medical					
A. Receipts from Fees and Local Gifts					
B. Subsidies					
C. Total Expenditures—Medical Dept.					
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>					
39. Ministerial Support					
A. Pastors	£ 138	£ 158	£ 138	£ 3	£ 437
B. District Superintendents					
C. Episcopal Fund					
40. Conference Claimants				£ 6	£ 6
41. Annual Conference Administration					
42. Central Conference Fund					
43. General Conference Administration					
44. Interdenominational Co-operation Fund					
45. Benevolences (As Below)					
A. Ngariende	£ 10	£ 11	£ 5		£ 26
B. Educational Loan Fund					
C. Other Benevolences					
46. Buildings and Repairs	£ 450	£ 25	£ 50		£ 525
47. Other Purposes					
48. Total Contribution of the Local Churches (39-47)	£ 598	£ 194	£ 193	9	£ 994
49. Total Church Expenditures					
<b>PROPERTIES</b>					
50. Number of Church Buildings (As Below)					
A. Permanent	1		1		2
B. Semi-permanent			2	1	3
C. Temporary		4	4		8
51. Number of Pastors' Residences	1	1	1	1	4

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MUTAMBARA DISTRICT

WORKERS (\*1)

	Mutambara Centre	Mutamba- ra West	Mutamba- ra East	Nyanyadz	Total
1. Members of Conference	5	1	1	1	8
2. On Trial					
3. Missionaries	6				6
4. Other Missionary Workers					
5. Approved Supply Pastors					
6. Other Christian Life Workers				1	1
7. Volunteer Workers	9	80	11	39	139

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

8. Baptized Children Under 12	181	230	189	97	697
9. Enrolled Beginners	201	901	47	223	1372
10. Preparatory Members	37	320	67	180	604
11. Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	419	1451	303	500	2673
12. Full Members Enrolled	368	343	287	236	1234
13. Christian Families	107	125	79	70	381
14. Members of Men's Society	26	22	20	15	83
15. Members of Women's Society	112	120	128	71	431
16. Members in Methodist Youth Fellowship	562	97	12	20	691
17. Number of Preaching Places	3	13	8	8	32
18. Sunday Schools (Number)	2	17	7	4	30
19. Teachers and Officers in S.S.	44	43	18	26	131
20. Pupils in S.S.	401	1120	523	401	2445
21. Average Attendance at S.S.	395	764	371	321	1851

PASTORAL ACTIVITIES this year (5)

22. Children Baptized	20	21	40	19	100
23. Adults Baptized	130	46	93	39	308
24. Beginners Received	93	390	17	28	528
25. Preparatory Members Received	81	61		51	193
26. Full Members Received from Probation	110	34	48	49	241
27. Full Members Received by Transfer	60	11	13	16	100
28. Full Members Removed by Transfer	40	4	13	22	79
29. Full Members Died	1	1	2		4
30. Christian Marriages Performed	3	11	20	6	40

EDUCATIONAL

31. Number of Schools	4	7	7	4	22
32. Teachers	20	32	31	23	106
33. Students (As Below)					
A. Male	372	627	547	658	2204
B. Female	261	587	506	352	1706
C. Total Students	633	1214	1053	1010	3910
34. Finances—Ednl. (As Below)					
A. Local Receipts for Teachers' Support					
B. Total Teachers' Support	£ 3600	£ 3152	£ 2952	£ 2760	£ 12464
C. Local Receipts for Other Purposes	£ 50	£ 206	£ 186	£ 190	£ 632
D. Subsidies					
E. Total Expenditure—Ednl.	£ 3650	£ 3358	£ 3138	£ 2950	£ 13096
F. Receipts for Buildings					

MEDICAL

35. Number of Units (As Below)					
A. Hospital					
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres	1				1
C. Maternity Centres or Depts.	1				1
36. Medical Staff					
A. Doctors					
B. Nurses	5				5
C. Nurses in Training					
D. Others					
37. Patients (As Below)					
A. Hospitalised	2154				2154
B. Clinic Patients	9097				9097
C. Daily Treatments	70238				70238
38. Finances—Medical					
A. Receipts from Fees and Local Gifts	£ 1400				£ 1400
B. Subsidies	£ 4200				£ 4200
C. Total Expenditures—Medical Dept.	£ 5600				£ 5600

CHURCH FINANCES

39. Ministerial Support					
A. Pastors	£ 180	£ 165	£ 130	£ 165	£ 640
B. District Superintendents					
C. Episcopal Fund					
40. Conference Claimants					
41. Annual Conference Administration					
42. Central Conference Fund					
43. General Conference Administration					
44. Interdenominational Co-operation Fund					
45. Benevolences (As Below)					
A. Ngariende					
B. Educational Loan Fund					
C. Other Benevolences					
46. Buildings and Repairs					
47. Other Purposes					
48. Total Contribution of the Local Churches (39-47)	£ 180	£ 165	£ 130	£ 165	£ 640
49. Total Church Expenditures					

PROPERTIES

50. Number of Church Buildings (As Below)					
A. Permanent	1	3	4	1	9
B. Semi-permanent		4	2		6
C. Temporary			1		1
51. Number of Pastors' Residences	1		1	1	3

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MUTASA DISTRICT

	Nyaka- tsapa	Penhalonga Mundenda	Old Umtali	Inyanga	Honde	Total
<b>WORKERS (*1)</b>						
1. Members of Conference	2	1	6	1	1	11
2. On Trial			1			1
3. Missionaries	1		20			21
4. Other Missionary Workers			1			1
5. Approved Supply Pastors	1				2	3
6. Other Christian Life Workers					10	10
7. Volunteer Workers	77	43	47	32	5	204
<b>CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY</b>						
8. Baptized Children under 12	752	325	27	85	120	1309
9. Enrolled Beginners	686	59	52	124	68	989
10. Preparatory Members	203	45	140	91	20	499
11. Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	1641	429	219	300	208	2797
12. Full Members Enrolled	1102	401	701	341	164	2709
13. Christian Families	364	159	75	142	105	845
14. Members of Men's Society	53	68	26	25	43	215
15. Members of Women's Society	409	254	71	93	67	894
16. Members in Methodist Youth Fellowship	156	114	123	70	22	485
17. Number of Preaching Places	3	12	11	4	6	36
18. Sunday Schools (Number)	11	14	3	9	17	54
19. Teachers and Officers in S. S.	58	25	60	22	76	241
20. Pupils in S. S.	1025	852	845	314	198	3224
21. Average Attendance at S. S.	885	572	761	256	157	2631
<b>PASTORAL ACTIVITIES this year (5)</b>						
22. Children Baptised	75	28	14	32		149
23. Adults Baptised	82	13	26	41		162
24. Beginners Received	203	48	18	67		336
25. Preparatory Members Received	55	26	11	26		118
26. Full Members Received from Probation	88	21	26	29		164
27. Full Members Received by Transfer	16	16	5	5	39	81
28. Full Members Removed by Transfer	68	35	18	14	27	162
29. Full Members Died	14	4	2	10	2	32
30. Christian Marriages Performed	28	15	3	14	3	63
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>						
31. Number of Schools	7	5	5	2	2	21
32. Teachers	35	25	38	5	9	112
33. Students (As Below)						
A. Male	561	420	740	102	318	2141
B. Female	475	382	340	85	202	1484
C. Total Students	1036	802	1080	187	520	3625
34. Finances—Ednl. (As Below)						
A. Local Receipts for Teachers' Support			£ 100			£ 100
B. Total Teachers' Support	£ 4000	£3000	£ 10300	£ 769	£ 1500	£19569
C. Local Receipts for other Purposes			£ 6500			£ 6500
D. Subsidies			£ 2800			£ 2800
E. Total Expenditures—Ednl. Dept.	£ 4000	£3000	£ 28000	£ 769	£ 1500	£37269
F. Receipts for Buildings			£ 3000			£ 3000
<b>MEDICAL</b>						
35. Number of Units (As Below)						
A. Hospitals			1			1
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres			1			1
C. Maternity Centres or Depts.			1			1
36. Medical Staff						
A. Doctors						
B. Nurses			6			6
C. Nurses in Training						
D. Others			14			14
37. Patients (As Below)						
A. Hospitalised			1068			1068
B. Clinic Patients			5306			5306
C. Daily Treatments			16008			16008
38. Finances—Medical						
A. Receipts from Fees and Local Gifts			£ 1036			£ 1036
B. Subsidies			£ 912			£ 912
C. Total Expenditures Medical Dept.			£ 1838			£ 1838
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>						
39. Ministerial Support						
A. Pastors	£ 129	£ 198	£ 150	£ 120		£ 597
B. District Superintendents			26			£ 26
C. Episcopal Fund			£ 6			£ 6
40. Conference Claimants			£ 11			£ 11
41. Annual Conference Administration			£ 7			£ 7
42. Central Conference Fund			£ 6			£ 6
43. General Conference Administration			£ 1			£ 1
44. Interdenominational Co-operation Fund						
45. Benevolences (As Below)						
A. Ngariende		£ 3	£ 9	£ 1		£ 13
B. Educational Loan Fund	£ 2	£ 1	£ 17			£ 20
C. Other Benevolences						
46. Buildings and Repairs	£ 84			£ 53		£ 371
47. Other Purposes	£ 32		£ 89	£ 4		£ 125
48. Total Contribution of the Local Churches (39-47)	£ 247	£ 202	£ 322	£ 178		£ 949
49. Total Church Expenditures						
<b>PROPERTIES</b>						
50. Number of Church Buildings (As Below)						
A. Permanent	1	4	2	3	3	13
B. Semi-permanent	7			3		10
C. Temporary	1	5				6
51. Number of Pastors' Residences	1	1	1	1	1	5

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NYADIRI DISTRICT

WORKERS (*1)	Nyadiri Centre	Nyadiri East	Nyadiri Circuit	Nyadiri South	Maramba Pfungwe	Total
1. Members of Conference	4	1	1	1	1	8
2. On Trial	1					1
3. Missionaries	15					15
4. Other Missionary Workers						
5. Approved Supply Pastors						
6. Other Christian Life Workers	6		1	1	1	9
7. Volunteer Workers	8	66	29	119	51	273
<b>CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY</b>						
8. Baptized Children under 12	48	52	65	92	45	302
9. Enrolled Beginners	200	855	99	2484	584	4222
10. Preparatory Members	75	75	153	178	84	565
11. Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	323	982	317	1954	722	4298
12. Full Members Enrolled	285	186	258	393	116	1238
13. Christian Families	60	41	160	120	46	427
14. Members of Men's Society	12	22	17	53	20	124
15. Members of Women's Society	60	68	130	179	38	475
16. Members in Methodist Youth Fellowship	260	37	3	157	28	487
17. Number of Preaching Places	1	8	7	8	6	30
18. Sunday Schools (Number)	3	11	15	15	9	53
19. Teachers and Officers in S. S.	41	75	29	60	47	252
20. Pupils in S. S.	350	952	240	2040	677	4259
21. Average Attendance at S. S.	305	253	388	812	446	2204
<b>PASTORAL ACTIVITIES this year (5)</b>						
22. Children Baptised	84	36	11	29	22	182
23. Adults Baptised	90	34	63	52	22	211
24. Beginners Received	90	64	140	1079	252	1625
25. Preparatory Members Received	20	64	71	40	46	241
26. Full Members Received from Probation	60	35	63	66	22	246
27. Full Members Received by Transfer	30	19	3	2	4	60
28. Full Members Removed by Transfer	20	6	3	7	1	37
29. Full Members Died	1	3	2	2	1	9
30. Christian Marriages Performed	6	4	3	17	2	32
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>						
31. Number of Schools	3	7	6	8	6	30
32. Teachers	26	37	41	46	22	172
33. Students (As Below)						
A. Male	422	840	932	1025	503	3722
B. Female	301	424	520	690	266	2201
C. Total Students	723	1264	1452	1715	769	5923
34. Finances—Ednl. (As Below)						
A. Local Receipts for Teachers' Support		£ 120				£ 120
B. Total Teachers' Support	£ 7012	£ 3083	£ 2954	£ 3205	£ 2104	£ 18358
C. Local Receipts for other Purposes	£ 4296	£ 292	£ 377	£ 402	£ 202	£ 5569
D. Subsidies	£10912	£ 200	£ 200	£ 300	£ 180	£ 11792
E. Total Expenditures—Ednl. Dept.	£17924	£ 3283	£ 3154	£ 3505	£ 2284	£ 30150
F. Receipts for Buildings	£ 4330	£ 460	£ 3200	£ 3700	£ 330	£ 12020
<b>MEDICAL</b>						
35. Number of Units (As Below)						
A. Hospitals	1					1
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres	6					6
C. Maternity Centres or Depts.	1					1
36. Medical Staff						
A. Doctors	1					1
B. Nurses	5					5
C. Nurses in Training	51					51
D. Others	5					5
37. Patients (As Below)						
A. Hospitalised	2500					2500
B. Clinic Patients	15000					15000
C. Daily Treatments	40000					40000
38. Finances—Medical						
A. Receipts from Fees and Local Gifts	£ 2000					£ 2000
B. Subsidies	£ 9000					£ 9000
C. Total Expenditures Medical Dept.	£ 11000					£ 11000
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>						
39. Ministerial Support						
A. Pastors	£ 269	£ 219	£ 257	£ 257	£ 107	£ 1069
B. District Superintendents	£ 12	£ 5	£ 8	£ 12	£ 3	£ 40
C. Episcopal Fund	£ 3	£ 1	£ 2	£ 3	£ 1	£ 10
40. Conference Claimants	£ 1	£ 1	£ 1	£ 1	£ 1	£ 5
41. Annual Conference Administration	£ 1	£ 1	£ 1	£ 1	£ 1	£ 5
42. Central Conference Fund	£ 3	£ 1	£ 2	£ 3	£ 1	£ 10
43. General Conference Administration						
44. Interdenominational Co-operation Fund						
45. Benevolences (As Below)						
A. Ngariende						
B. Educational Loan Fund						
C. Other Benevolences	£ 6	£ 2	£ 4	£ 5	£ 1	£ 18
46. Buildings and Repairs						
47. Other Purposes	£ 9	£ 4	£ 6	£ 9	£ 3	£ 31
48. Total Contribution of the Local Churches (39-47)	£ 315	£ 245	£ 292	£ 262	£ 129	£ 1243
49. Total Church Expenditures						
<b>PROPERTIES</b>						
50. Number of Church Buildings (As Below)						
A. Permanent	1	4		2	1	8
B. Semi-permanent		3	7	3	5	18
C. Temporary		1		3		4
51. Number of Pastors' Residences	1	1	1	1	1	5



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UMTALI—ZIMUNYA

WORKERS (\*1)

	Zimunya South	Zimunya North	Sakubva	St. Andrew's	Total
1. Members of Conference	1	1	2	1	5
2. On Trial					
3. Missionaries			2	2	4
4. Other Missionary Workers					
5. Approved Supply Pastors			1	1	2
6. Other Christian Life Workers			2		2
7. Volunteer Workers	87	33	70		190

CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

8. Baptized Children Under 12	428	183	357		968
9. Enrolled Beginners	140	69	166		375
10. Preparatory Members	216	56	419		691
11. Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	784	308	932		2024
12. Full Members Enrolled	592	401	900	244	2137
13. Christian Families	92	51	530		673
14. Members of Men's Society	29	25	80		134
15. Members of Women's Society	269	174	300	50	793
16. Members in Methodist Youth Fellowship	42	18	126	35	221
17. Number of Preaching Places	11	6	27	2	46
18. Sunday Schools (Number)	11	6	5	2	24
19. Teachers and Officers in S.S.	29	26	32	21	108
20. Pupils in S.S.	532	451	520	300	1803
21. Average Attendance at S.S.	408	255	450	205	1318

PASTORAL ACTIVITIES this year (5)

22. Children Baptized	121	52	122	52	347
23. Adults Baptized	87	30	36	2	155
24. Beginners Received	95	25	130		250
25. Preparatory Members Received	103	23	71		197
26. Full Members Received from Probation	50	30	85	25	190
27. Full Members Received by Transfer	13	11	16	5	45
28. Full Members Removed by Transfer	9	5	19	7	40
29. Full Members Died	4	3		2	9
30. Christian Marriages Performed	19	18	11	10	58

EDUCATIONAL

31. Number of Schools	9	6			15
32. Teachers	43	34			77
33. Students As Below)					
A. Male	743	661			1404
B. Female	760	596			1356
C. Total Students	1503	1257			2760
34. Finances - Ednl. (As Below)					
A. Local Receipts for Teachers' Support					
B. Total Teachers' Support	£ 3897	£3550			£ 7447
C. Local Receipts for Other Purposes	£ 244	£ 278			£ 522
D. Subsidies					
E. Total Expenditure—Ednl.	£ 3897	£3550			£ 7447
F. Receipts for Buildings					

MEDICAL

35. Number of Units (As Below)					
A. Hospital					
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres					
C. Maternity Centres or Dept.					
36. Medical Staff					
A. Doctors					
B. Nurses					
C. Nurses in Training					
D. Others					
37. Patients (As Below)					
A. Hospitalised					
B. Clinic Patients					
C. Daily Treatments					
38. Finances—Medical					
A. Receipts from Fees and Local Gifts					
B. Subsidies					
C. Total Expenditures—Medical Dept.					

CHURCH FINANCES

39. Ministerial Support					
A. Pastors	£ 130	£ 180	£ 314	£ 720	£ 1344
B. District Superintendents			£ 5		£ 5
C. Episcopal Fund					
40. Conference Claimants			£ 45		£ 45
41. Annual Conference Administration					
42. Central Conference Fund				£ 21	£ 21
43. General Conference Administration					
44. Interdenominational Co-operation Fund					
45. Benevolences (As Below)					
A. Ngariende			£ 7		£ 7
B. Educational Loan Fund					
C. Other Benevolences				£ 20	£ 20
46. Buildings and Repairs				£ 745	£ 745
47. Other Purposes			£ 7	£ 768	£ 775
48. Total Contribution of the Local Churches (39-47)	£ 130	£ 18	£ 378	2274	£ 2962
49. Total Church Expenditures					

PROPERTIES

50. Number of Church Buildings (As Below)					
A. Permanent	6	4	1	2	13
B. Semi-permanent	3	1			4
C. Temporary	3	1	2		6
51. Number of Pastors' Residences	1	1	1	1	4



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CONFERENCE TOTALS

WORKERS (*1)	Maranke	Makoni	Mrewa	Mtoko	Muta- mbara	Mutasa	Nyadiri	Umtall- Zimunya	Conf. Totals
1. Members of Conference	3	5	9	6	8	11	8	5	55
2. On Trial	1		1			1	1		4
3. Missionaries	2		2	4	6	21	15	4	54
4. Other Missionary Workers						1			1
5. Approved Supply Pastors	1					3		2	5
6. Other Christian Life Workers					1	10	9	2	25
7. Volunteer Workers	195	594	272	161	139	204	273	190	2028
<b>CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY</b>									
8. Baptized Children under 12	994	1217	922	131	697	1309	302	968	6540
9. Enrolled Beginners	2057	935	1340	1476	1372	989	4222	375	12766
10. Preparatory Members	568	992	1241	578	604	499	565	691	5738
11. Total on Probation (8, 9, 10)	3619	3144	3503	2185	2673	2797	4298	2024	25044
12. Full Members Enrolled	1530	3342	2367	909	1234	2709	1238	2137	15466
13. Christian Families	430	693	597	175	381	845	427	673	4221
14. Members of Men's Society	103	201	214	102	83	215	124	134	1176
15. Members of Women's Society	526	1092	765	636	431	894	475	793	5612
16. Members in Methodist Youth Fellowship	112	458	494	137	691	485	487	221	3085
17. Number of Preaching Places	29	44	45	40	32	36	30	46	303
18. Sunday Schools (Number)	52	49	54	32	30	54	53	24	348
19. Teachers and Officers in S. S.	142	217	207	152	131	241	252	108	1550
20. Pupils in S. S.	3044	3155	4495	4197	2445	3224	4259	1803	26622
21. Average Attendance at S. S.	1962	2434	3317	2643	1851	2631	2204	1318	27458
<b>PASTORAL ACTIVITIES this year (5)</b>									
22. Children Baptised	100	229	168	78	100	149	182	347	1353
23. Adults Baptised	104	150	137	165	308	162	211	155	1392
24. Beginners Received	138	325	378	288	528	336	1625	250	3848
25. Preparatory Members Received	125	211	242	277	193	118	241	197	1604
26. Full Members Received from Probation	127	223	143	228	241	164	246	190	1537
27. Full Members Received by Transfer	74	36	99	92	100	81	60	45	582
28. Full Members Removed by Transfer	32	57	66	100	79	162	37	40	566
29. Full Members Died	2	19	12	6	4	32	9	9	91
30. Christian Marriages Performed	23	57	37	29	40	63	32	58	329
<b>EDUCATIONAL</b>									
31. Number of Schools	23	23	33	26	22	21	30	15	193
32. Teachers	117	110	162	112	106	112	172	77	968
33. Students (As Below)									
A. Male	2397	2171	3226	2631	2204	2141	3722	1404	19896
B. Female	2302	2019	2841	1791	1706	1434	2201	1356	15700
C. Total Students	4699	4190	6067	4422	3910	3625	5923	2760	35596
34. Finances—Ednl. (As Below)									
A. Local Receipts for Teachers' Support				£ 993		£ 100	£ 120		£ 1213
B. Total Teachers' Support	£12100	£10312	£18052	£ 9930	£12454	£19569	£ 18358	£ 7447	£108232
C. Local Receipts for other Purposes	£ 1050	£ 411	£ 8803	£ 4376	£ 632	£ 6500	£ 5569	£ 522	£ 27863
D. Subsidies		£ 154	£ 3147	£ 650		£ 2800	£ 11792		£ 18543
E. Total Expenditures—Ednl. Dept.	£12100	£10466	£21199	£10580	£13096	£37269	£ 30150	£ 7447	£142307
F. Receipts for Buildings	£ 3586	£ 1516	£13333	£ 4190		£ 3000	£ 12020		£ 37645
<b>MEDICAL</b>									
35. Number of Units (As Below)									
A. Hospitals						1	1		2
B. Dispensaries or Treatment Centres				1	1	1	6		9
C. Maternity Centres or Depts.					1	1	1		3
36. Medical Staff									
A. Doctors							1		1
B. Nurses					5	6	5		16
C. Nurses-in Training							51		51
D. Others				1		14	5		20
37. Patients (As Below)									
A. Hospitalised					2154	1068	2500		5722
B. Clinic Patients					9097	5306	15000		19403
C. Daily Treatments					70238	16003	40000		126246
38. Finances—Medical									
A. Receipts from Fees and Local Gifts					£ 1400	£ 1036	£ 2000		£ 4436
B. Subsidies					£ 4200	£ 912	£ 9090		£ 14112
C. Total Expenditures Medical Dept.					£ 5600	£ 1838	£ 11000		£ 18438
<b>CHURCH FINANCES</b>									
39. Ministerial Support									
A. Pastors	£ 570	£ 661	£ 1070	£ 437	£ 610	£ 597	£ 1069	£ 1344	£ 6388
B. District Superintendents			£ 66			£ 26	£ 40	£ 5	£ 137
C. Episcopal Fund			£ 13			£ 6	£ 10		£ 74
40. Conference Claimants			£ 2	6		£ 11	£ 5	£ 45	£ 24
41. Annual Conference Administration			£ 11			£ 7	£ 5		£ 23
42. Central Conference Fund			£ 10			£ 6	£ 10	£ 21	£ 17
43. General Conference Administration						£ 1			
44. Interdenominational Co-operation Fund									
45. Benevolences (As Below)									
A. Ngariende	£ 7	£ 4		£ 26		£ 13		£ 7	£ 57
B. Educational Loan Fund		£ 3				£ 20			£ 23
C. Other Benevolences	£ 106		£ 25				£ 18	£ 20	£ 149
46. Buildings and Repairs	£ 449	£ 41	£ 525			£ 137		£ 745	£ 1152
47. Other Purposes	£ 180	£ 2	£ 23			£ 125	£ 31	£ 775	£ 188
48. Total Contribution: Local Churches (39-47)	£ 1312	£ 711	£ 1217	£ 994	£ 640	£ 949	£ 1243	£ 2962	£ 8232
49. Total Church Expenditures									
<b>PROPERTIES</b>									
50. Number of Church Buildings (As Below)									
A. Permanent	11	43	10	2	9	13	8	13	109
B. Semi-permanent	10	71	16	3	6	10	18	4	132
C. Temporary	6	16	15	8	1	6	4	6	57
51. Number of Pastors' Residences	3	6	7	4	3	5	5	4	35





